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FACTS ABOUT THE HONG KONG CENSUS.

APPEAL FOR PUBLIC CO-OPERATION.

"A NORMAL ACT OF GOVERNMENT: NO ULTERIOR MOTIVE."

The Superintendent of the forthcoming Census of the Colony has kindly forwarded us a series of most interesting articles on the Census. The reasons for taking the Census are clearly explained, and also the uses to which the information is put. It is, in fact, of the greatest help to those responsible for the public services of the Colony.

The history of the "numbering of the people," in past and present ages which is being supplied will, we think, prove a very acceptable reading and help us to understand this action of the Government.

The Census Officer writes as follows:—
It will have been observed that a Bill has recently been introduced in the Legislative Council of the Colony entitled "An Ordinance to make provision for taking from time to time a Census of the Colony." New Regulations governing the taking of a Census will also shortly be made and a Census Order will be promulgated by His Excellency the Governor in Council directing that a Census of the population of Hong Kong shall be taken on the night of the 7th March, 1931.
The usual Census.
This is the usual decennial Census, the last census having been taken in Hong Kong on the 24th April, 1921, and it is expected that a Census will be taken in every part of the British Empire in the course of this Spring. It is not possible to have the census taken on the same day throughout the Empire though it is aimed that there should be as short a period as possible between the dates chosen in the several parts of the Empire. The 9th of April is the date fixed for the United Kingdom. Local considerations, however, have caused an earlier date to be chosen in Hong Kong, namely the 7th of March. Chinese New Year's Day falls on the 17th of February and the great Tsing Ming Festival on the 6th of April. It was desirable to have the date of the census some time after the New Year so that business conditions should be as nearly normal as possible and to leave two to three weeks intervening before Tsing Ming when it is the duty of every Chinese adult male to return, if he can, to his native village to worship at his ancestral tomb. It was decided therefore that the first 10 days of March were likely to prove most suitable and Saturday, the 7th March, was chosen.
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Diary of Coming Events.

To-day, (January 31.)
Theatre Royal: Westminster Glee Singers, Special Matinee at 3 p.m., evening 8.15 p.m.
Annual Concert and dance, Morrison Hall, The University, 8 p.m.
Central Theatre: "Love Comes Along."
Queen's Theatre: "Man Trouble."
World Theatre: "Mother Love" (Chinese picture).
Star Theatre: "The Little Adventurer."
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dances: Peninsula and Repulse Bay Hotels, 8.30 p.m.
C.C. v. Navy (L.); University v. Craigiepower (L.); Indian R.C. v. Royal Artillery (F.); Hong Kong C.C. v. Married v. Singles. Division II: Royal Engineers v. Civil Service (L.); Recreation v. Kowloon C.C. (L.); Police v. Signals (L.).
Football:—Lai Wah Cup Final: China v. Civilian (Club ground), 3.30 p.m. Second Division: Navy v. Club, Eastern v. St. Joseph's; Borderers v. Royal Artillery, Chinese v. Kowloon, Argyls v. South China, Recreation v. University.
Third Division: Royal Engineers v. R.A.S.C. Royal Air Force v. R.A.O.C. Chinese v. Borderers, South China v. Ewo.
Golf:—Semi-finals of Governor's Shield.
Hunting:—Fauling Hunt Hounds Meet (Sun Wai Camp).
European Mail:—Outward: Europe via Suez (Comorin), 10.30 a.m.
Sunday, (February 1.)
Queen's Theatre: "Romance."
Star Theatre: "Flying Feet."
World Theatre: "Mother Love" (Chinese picture).
(Chinese picture).
Completion of Second Round of Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Junior Championship: First round of Captain's Cup (Kowloon Golf Club).
Hunting:—Fauling Hunt Paper Chase (Potts' Bungalow), 3.15 p.m.
Tea Dance: Repulse Bay Hotel, 4.30 p.m.
Monday, (February 2.)
Queen's Theatre: "Romance."
Star Theatre: "Flying Feet."
World Theatre: "Mother Love" (Chinese picture).
Tuesday, (February 3.)
Queen's Theatre: "Romance."
Star Theatre: "Flying Feet."
World Theatre: "Conquering Beauty" (Chinese picture).
English Association Meeting, 5.30 p.m.
Father Byrne, S.J. on "The Beauty in Words and Effects of Distortion."
H.K. Stock Exchange Reception, 12 noon.
Golf: Second Round of Ross Cup (Ladies).
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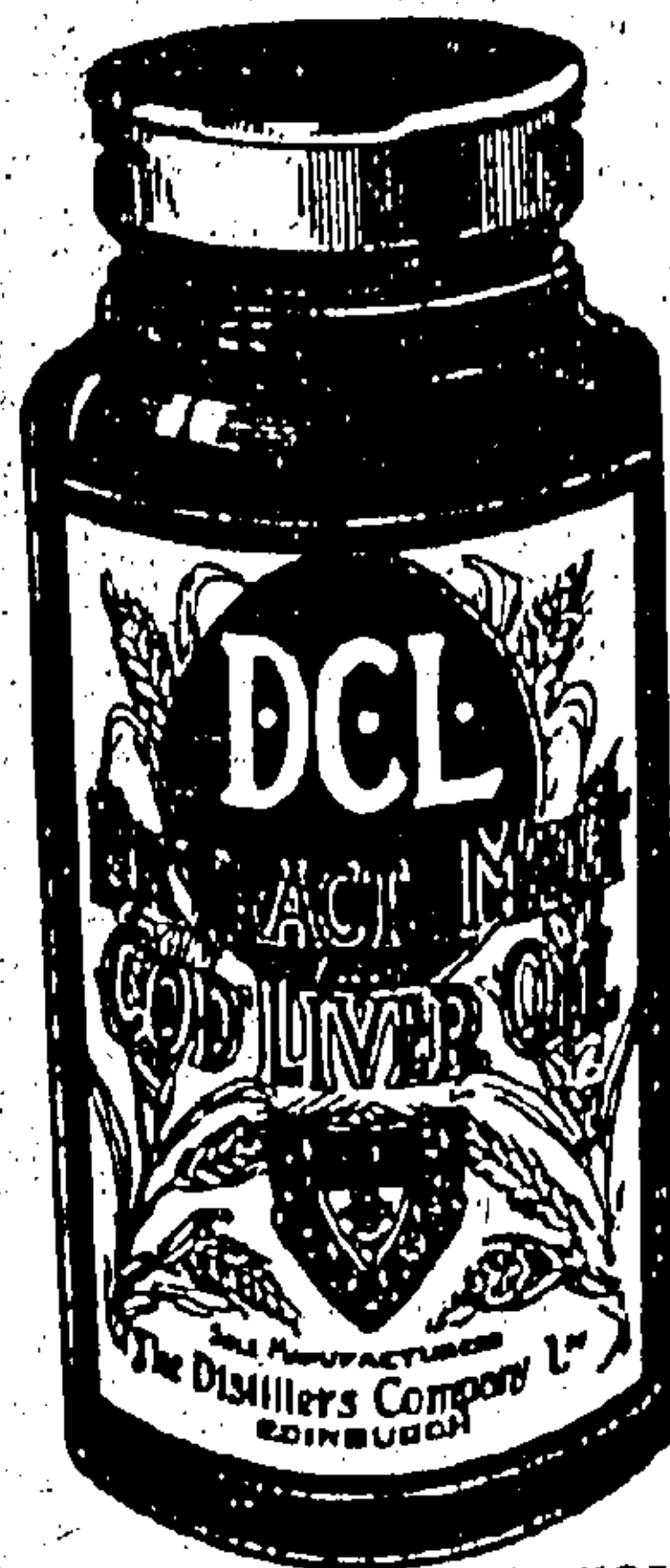
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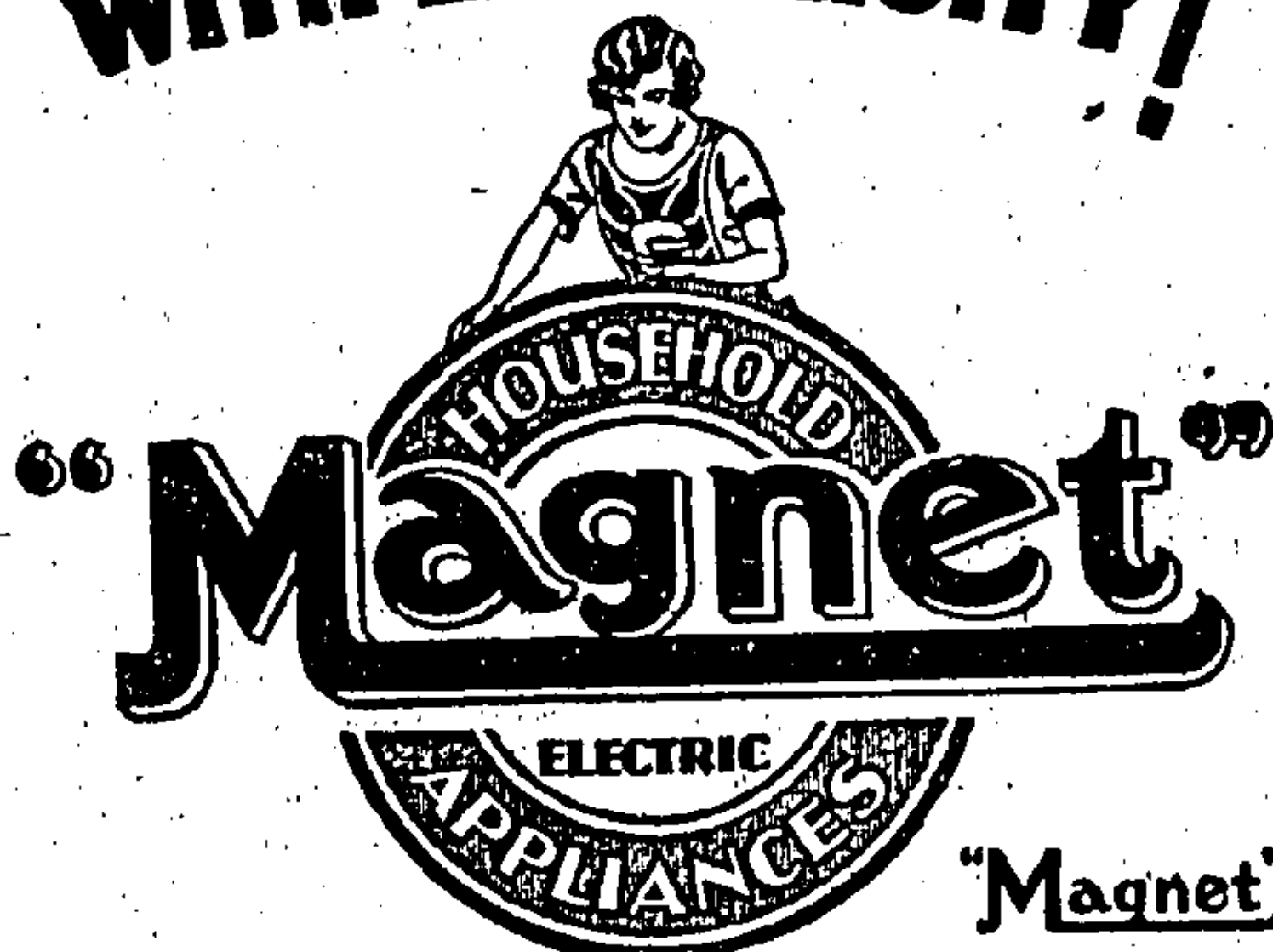
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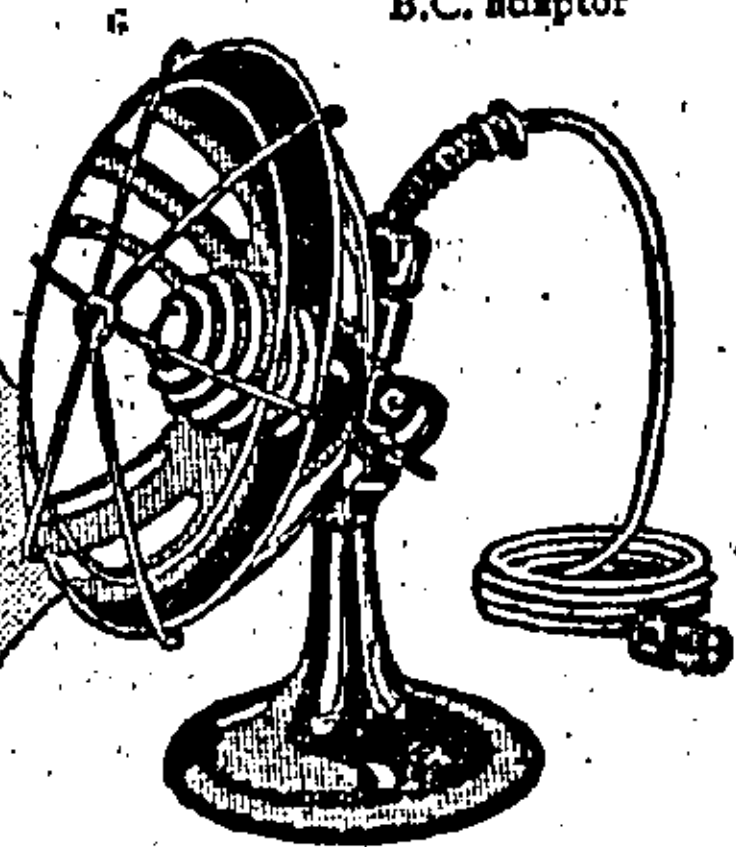
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THE BOY WITHOUT A TIE.

COUNSEL ON THE QUESTION OF SNOBBERY.

Mr. Sidney William Joiner, of Sutton-road, Watford, who refused to send his son to school wearing a tie, was fined 2s. 6d. at Watford Police Court for failing to send his child to school.

Mr. Frederick Wilson, prosecuting, said that the headmaster of Beecham-grove School asked Mr. Joiner for a medical certificate to say that his boy's health demanded that he should wear an open-neck shirt, but it had not been forthcoming.

If evidence was now given that this boy, who was not too robust, should on medical grounds wear a shirt open at the neck the proceedings would be withdrawn.

Mr. H. Glyn Jones, for Mr. Joiner, pressed that the case should go on.

"Improving the Appearance."

Mr. Wilson said that last year the headmaster felt that in the summer term he must take steps to improve the general appearance of some of the boys. They attended school without coats and waistcoats during the warm weather. The regulation which Mr. Belsher, the headmaster, introduced was that they should be allowed to come to school without coats and waistcoats, provided they wore ties.

Mr. Joiner sent his boy to school properly dressed last year, but in the summer when there was trouble over the dress of two other boys, he sent his boy to school without coat, without waistcoat, without tie, and without his shirt buttoned up at the top.

The headmaster and the parent arranged as a compromise that the shirt should be buttoned at the neck. The boy did not attend school for some days, and then came without tie or buttons. The headmaster sent him home for a stud, and the boy had not attended school since July 7. The regulation applied only to the summer months.

The Teacher's Open Neck.

Referring to an incident in the classroom when the boy was sent home for a stud Mr. Jones asked Mr. Belsher whether there was a woman teacher in charge.

"Yes," replied the headmaster. With a collar on it—No.

Did she have an open neck?—She was dressed in the manner in which women are generally.

With an open neck?—Yes. Mr. Jones was about to put another question, but the headmaster, addressing the magistrates, said: "Am I obliged to answer all these questions? I am not entering into a controversy on dress reform."

People with Collars.

Mr. Jones produced a journal circulated by the Medical Officer of Health for Watford, and referred to a heading "Less Clothing Better Health."

Mr. Jones said that it was unthinkable a headmaster should have the right to prescribe what children should wear, providing they were decently dressed and clean. He added:

"You cannot have the headmaster of a public elementary school putting the children into uniform. It is an inducement for children to think that persons wearing collars and ties are to be preferred to those without. Why should it be necessary to make snobs of them?"

SOLDIERS AND THE BABY.

MOTHER WHO LOST HER TRAIN.

There was an affectionate reunion at Crews railway station between a mother and her six-months-old daughter, the baby having travelled 250 miles from Southampton in the care of some soldiers returning from India.

The mother, Mrs. Lambert, returning from India to her home in Lancashire as her husband had been ordered to China, had handed over her daughter to the soldiers in a train at Southampton.

When she returned she was distracted to find that the train had departed with her baby, the first stop being at Crews.

Officials wired to Crews where the soldiers, who had fed and nursed the baby during the journey, (Continued at foot of next column.)

PROTEST AGAINST ARREST.

TWO BUSINESSMEN AND A WOMAN.

A strong protest against the arrests of two business men and a woman was made at the Guildhall Police Court, when John William Ricordon, aged fifty-seven, of Anerley Park Road, a manufacturers' agent, William Stuart Ramsay, aged sixty, of Gressenhall Road, Wandsworth, agent and merchant, and Mrs. Hilda Mary Ricordon, aged sixty, of Holdshot House, Ickfield, Basingstoke, Hampshire, also described as agent and merchant, appeared.

They were accused of having received sums of money aggregating £7,752 11s. 8d. on behalf of the firm of Edouard Stuel, of Como, Italy, and converting the same to their own use and benefit, contrary to Section 20, (4) of the Larceny Act, 1916.

Detective Inspector Giles, of the City Police, stated that on the previous afternoon he saw Ramsay at Aldersgate Street. He then read the warrant to him. He said, in reply, "That is wrong. This is a matter for a civil action." He was taken to Moor Lane Police Station. There, in reply to the formal charge, he remarked: "This is not a case for criminal action, it is a civil matter."

Application Opposed.

J. W. Ricordon was arrested later in the day at the same address. He expressed surprise, and said: "Surely this is not right?" He added: "We wrote to them (the prosecutors) yesterday." Mrs. Ricordon went herself to Moor Lane Police Station, and when she was charged she said: "I don't know anything about it."

Mr. Kilner, prosecuting, suggested an adjournment.

Mr. Harry Myers, appearing for the men defendants, said that was an application which he most strenuously opposed.

"I venture to say," he added, "that when all the facts in this case transpire it will be seen that these warrants ought never to have been issued at all. I understand my friend desires time for further investigation. All I can say is that it is a little unfortunate that a fuller investigation was not made before these people were dragged from their business and placed in the dock."

"My clients are partners in the firm of Ricordon, Ramsay and Co., which has been established since 1837; they are silk merchants and agents. There has been an association between them and the prosecutors for thirty-two years, and during all that period there has been a running account between them."

Sleeping Partner.

"The defendants feel very strongly that whatever dispute there may be it is purely a civil matter, and they deny that they have committed any criminal offence."

Mr. Bell, solicitor, for Mrs. Ricordon, said his client was nothing but a sleeping partner in the business.

Mr. Myers, Mr. Ramsay desires me to say that Mrs. Ricordon took no active part in the business, and he regrets that, owing to her connection with the firm she ought never to have been there.

Inspector Giles, in reply to Mr. Myers, said it was a fact that Ricordon had been in business in the City for thirty and Ramsay for forty years, and he had no doubt whatever that they would surrender.

The magistrate granted a short adjournment, and said that he should not, at the present stage, require the accused persons to find bail. They would be released on their own recognisances.

handed the child to the station.

In the meantime the mother had travelled to London, hoping to arrive at Crews by an express before the Southampton train, but she lost her way in crossing London and missed the express.

She journeyed North by the next train.

FAGGING DENOUNCED.

ALSO DEPRESSING BOOKS ON SCHOOL LIFE.

The fagging system and some modern books dealing with school life were vigorously attacked by Mr. J. Howard Whitehouse, warden of Bembridge, a new public school.

Mr. Whitehouse, a former M.P., told the Society for Experiment and Research in Education, of which he is president:

"Of all the bad features connected with fagging I think the worst is the power that is sometimes given to senior boys to inflict corporal punishment upon junior boys."

That younger boys should feel themselves snubbed, outcasts and servants was a bad feature of the public school system, he said.

Hobbies Help.

It was bad, too, that the leisure hours of the younger boys were not organised properly, that they could not follow their own interests live their own lives in their leisure time.

"The boy with good hobbies is the boy who later is going to have noble interests in life," Mr. Whitehouse said.

"Every good school would desire to protect all its members from anything approaching bullying or cruelty. I am making no general changes, but the fagging system is a system which, unless it is carefully controlled and supervised, lends itself to cruelty."

Schoolboy Authors.

Referring to a novel dealing with life at a public school, he said it was "the most disgusting and depressing book ever published."

"The fact that it can be published without any official reply forthcoming is disgusting, and I hope an official reply will be forthcoming," he added.

Whereas school stories used to be written by schoolmasters about schoolboys, now they were written by schoolboys about themselves—and their masters.

"These books leave one very depressed. They are, for the most part, depressing chronicles of narrow, conventional life in which the mass spirit, the herd instinct, is dominant, in which boys are often brutal beyond words."

MOTOR CAR IN FLAMES.

ESCAPE FROM BURNING WRECKAGE.

Two motorists had a narrow escape when their cars fell down an incline at the roadside on Barnes Common, overturned, and caught fire.

Following a slight collision with another car near the Southern Railway bridge on the common, the motor-car swerved and fell about five feet down an embankment. The car overturned, and almost before the occupants could crawl out, burst into flames. Other motorists, who pulled up, helped to drag them clear of the blazing wreckage. The car was practically destroyed.

Both men—Mr. H. R. T. Hitchens, aged 30, of Beaumont Road, Twickenham, the driver, and Charles Lamming, aged 30, who is staying at Richmond, the passenger, were taken to West London Hospital, but were able to leave after treatment.

The Fire Brigade was called, but when they got there the fire had practically burnt itself out.

Eleven Hurt in Crash.

Eleven persons were injured in a collision between a Newcastle motor-coach and a motor-lorry on the main Barnett to St. Albans Road near South Mimms. Both vehicles were damaged, and the coach passengers were injured by flying glass. Eleven persons, including the lorry driver, were taken by ambulance to hospital at Barnett.

Five passengers were slightly injured when an omnibus skidded and collided with the signpost of an hotel at Fore Street, Edmonton. The Fire Brigade was called, but when they got there the fire had practically burnt itself out.

FACTS ABOUT THE HONG KONG CENSUS.

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Please Co-operate.

One of the most important factors in the success of a census is the attitude of the people to it. It is imperative that the sympathy and co-operation of the whole population should be enlisted so far as is possible or at worst that any misgivings or resentment at the apparent inquisitiveness of Government should be dispelled. The law provides penalties against non-co-operation or any obstructive tactics that may be employed by individuals but it is earnestly hoped that it will never be necessary to invoke the assistance of the law but that each and every individual will assist to their utmost.

In order to stimulate interest in the Census a few articles will appear from time to time in the Press. The material for these articles has been provided by the Superintendent of Census who has opened an office on the second floor of the Mercantile Bank Building. No originality is claimed for these articles and the Superintendent acknowledges his indebtedness to several sources—Eitel's History of Hong Kong, the Census Report of the Commonwealth of Australia for the Year 1911, and various Census Reports and other publications of Hong Kong and other Colonies.

No Poll Tax.

It seems desirable to impress on everyone at the beginning that the taking of a Census this year is a normal act of Government; that we in Hong Kong are merely following the lead given to us by the Home Government, which will also be followed by all the other parts of the Empire. There is no ulterior motive in taking the Census now; it is not being done with a view to introducing such things as a poll tax, an income tax, or any other taxation; there is no proposal to take action as regards any overcrowding that may exist; and various other rumours which may arise as they have done in the past regarding the object of the Census may be discounted at once. There is no reason for taking the Census now other than the usual objects in view in the taking of all Censuses.

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During what was to have been the final rehearsal a lift which forms part of the stage jammed in such a position that a strip of stage some 70ft. long and 12ft. wide remained about 12in. above the remainder of the stage.

When the mishap occurred there was a gallery queue of about 40 people, most of them women and girls, who had been waiting since 10 o'clock in the morning. They were informed of the postponement and went away.

More than 1,000 people had been invited to attend the rehearsal at 8.15.

Telegrams and telephone messages were sent to as many as possible, but hundreds of people arrived at the theatre during the evening—to find the doors closed.

The management announced that all tickets booked would be available when the show opened.

It is estimated that the mishap in repairs, extra chorus salaries, and lost business will cost between £2,000 and £3,000.

"Gone Phut."

"The Drury Lane stage, which is one of the largest in London, is composed of four large hydraulic and electric lifts which stretch the full width of the stage."

"The curtain had been rung down on the last scene but one and the scene-shifters were preparing the final scene, in which the lift has to be lowered to form a river across the stage, when something went wrong. The lift could not be moved."

Stars and chorus, who for the past five weeks have been rehearsing at high pressure, were disappointed.

"It is heart-breaking," Bobby Howes said. "Everybody was keyed up for the final effort, and now it has gone 'phut!' We all feel like wet rags."

Run of Bad Luck.

In "The Song of the Drum" Sir Alfred Butt has gone all out to rival his previous successes in spectacular production, and it is estimated that up to the present £30,000 had been spent. Magnificent Eastern scenes and wonderful costumes have been designed by Professor Ernest Stern, the German artist.

The mishap marks the second delay in the production. The Lord Chamberlain took exception to the original story because it might give offence to India, and the text had to be altered. Then Bobby Howes fell ill and rehearsals were postponed for a time. The idea of producing the show for Christmas had to be given up.

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11 to 11.30 a.m.—Stock quotations.
11.30 a.m.—Chinese programme.
12.30 p.m.—European programme.
1.30 p.m.—Weather report, local time, and Rugby Press news.
2 p.m.—Close down.
4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.
7 to 11.30 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.
7.27 to 8 p.m.—

Variety.

Humorous Duet—"Come On Baby."—Trix Sisters.
Humorous Duet—"S'posin'."—Trix Sisters.
Novelty Song—"What's His Name?"—Tommy Handley at the Piano.
Humorous Song—"The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo."—Charles Coburn.

Quartette—"The Old Sow" (Traditional).—Gotham Comedy Quartette.
Entertainer—"The Nut Brown Ale of England."—Ernest Hastings.

Entertainer—"In My Young Days."—Ernest Hastings.
Humorous Monologue—"Domestic Blisters."—Billy Bennet.
8 to 8.27 p.m.—

Musical Comedy.

"The Bells of New York"—Selections (Rekord).—The Regimental Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards.
"Mercenary Mary"—Vocal gems (Conrad and Ellis).—Columbia Vocal Gem Chorus.
"Lady Be Good"—Selections (Gershwin).—The 1928 Orch.
8.27 to 9.30 p.m.—

A Concert.

Orchestral—"Whispering Pines" (Byrne).—Bournemouth Municipal Orch.
Song—"Lullaby" (Christina Rossetti and Cyril Scott).—Gertrude Johnson (Soprano).
Song—"Black Bird's Song" (Marriott Watson and Cyril Scott).—Gertrude Johnson (Soprano).
Octette—"Song of the Water-fall" (Squire).—J. H. Squire Celeste Octette.
Octette—"Scent of the Jasmine" (Gounod).—J. H. Squire Celeste Octette.
Song—"A Bit, a Saddle and a Horse" (Biever and Brown-Smith).—Raymond Jewell (Bartone).
Octette—"Funeral March of a Marionette" (Gounod, arr. Sear).—J. H. Squire Celeste Octette.

Duet—"The Magic Flute—The Manly Heart" (Mozart).—Miriam Licette and Dennis Noble.
Piano Solo—"Rosenkavalier—Fantasy on Love Themes" (Strauss, arr. Grainger).—Percy Grainger.

Quartette—"I Know of Two Bright Eyes" (Clutsum).—Dennis Noble, Norman Allin, Hubert Eisdell and Heddle Nash.

Quartette—"Meet Me by Moonlight" (Batten).—Dennis Noble, Norman Allin, Hubert Eisdell and Heddle Nash.

Violin Solo—"Running Set"—Selection of Air and Folk Dances (arr. C. Sharp).—Elsie Avril.

Pipe and Tabor—(a) "Ladies' Pleasure," (b) "None So Pretty."—Joan Sharp.

Song—"I'm a Friar of Orders Grey" (Reeve).—Malcolm McEachern (Bass).

Song—"Drinking" (Traditional).—Malcolm McEachern (Bass).
Octette—"Moonbeams and Shadows" (Squire).—J. H. Squire Celeste Octette.

Octette—"Melody" (Dawes).—J. H. Squire Celeste Octette.
9.30 to 11.30 p.m.—Dance programmes.

11.30 p.m.—Close down.

SUNDAY.

11 a.m.—Relay from Union Church.
Preacher: G. E. Powell.

Hymn
"Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim."
Invocation and Lord's Prayer
Scripture Reading Psalm 77.

Hymn
"Give To Our God Immortal Praise."
Children's Address.

Hymn
"The Wise May Bring Their Learning."
Prayer.
Offertory Prayer.

Hymn
"When Wilt Thou Save The People?"
Sermon
"The Riddle of Life."

Hymn
"Lord of All Being, Throned Afar."
National Anthem.
Benediction.
Voluntary.

12 noon.—Chinese programme.
1.30 p.m.—Weather report, local time.
2 p.m.—Close down.

8 to 8.45 p.m. (approx.)—
Relay from Union Church.
Organist—Mr. H. Longyear.

Soloists—Mr. and Mrs. G. McLeod and Mr. W. H. Bailey.
Community singing conducted by Dr. L. G. Ride.

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QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"MAN TROUBLE."

More than 100 fashionably gowned women appear as guests in the night club scenes of "Man Trouble," the Fox Movietone all talking drama which is showing to-day at the Queen's Theatre. The gowns which they wear are the latest creations of Hollywood's most famed designer, and have already been copied by many smart and exclusive modistes.

During these delightful sequences Dorothy Mackaill and Sharon Lynn, who enact the featured feminine roles, each sing two songs, composed especially for the picture and for these two artists by James Hanley and Joseph MacCarthy.

Milton Sills and Kenneth MacKenna play the leading masculine parts, with the supporting cast including such screen notables as Roscoe Karns, Oscar Apfel, James Bradbury, Jr., Lew Harvey, Edythe Chapman and Harvey Clark.

Berthold Viertel, noted European director, transferred the picture to the all-talking screen after George Mankie Watters and Marion Orth had adapted the story and Watters and Edwin Burke had written the dialogue.

The adaptation was made from Ben Ames Williams' "A Very Practical Joke," a widely read magazine story. It deals with the love of two men for one woman, and the struggle does not end until the hand of Fate reaches out and permits genuine love to win over menacing influences.

"ROMAN."

Greta Garbo is about the last person in the world whom you would expect to find shouting from house-tops.

Yet that is exactly what the Swedish star had to do in one of the scenes for "Romance," her new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring vehicle which is showing to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre.

In the scene Miss Garbo had to appear at a window on the top floor of a hotel building and shout down to Gavin Gordon on the street below. A hydraulic camera and microphone elevator were used by Clarence Brown, director, to screen the scene in continuous action.

Lewis Stone heads the supporting cast in the picturization of the famous Edward Sheldon stage play in which Doris Keane triumphed for six years. Others featured are Florence Lake, Clara Blandick, Mathilde Comont, Henry Armetta, Elliott Nugent and Countess Nina de Liguoro.

THE ARMY OF
TO-DAY.LONG WEEK-ENDS: NO
PASSES.

The army of to-day is certainly all right, looked at through wartime eyes.

Here are some facts about a private's life to-day given by Lieut.-Colonel Basset, Assistant Director of Recruiting:—
Men are fixed by a messing committee on which four privates sit. His infantry pay starts at 2s. 4d. a day, increased to 2s. 6d. after a year, and to 3s. after three years—this apart from possible promotion. Barracks have hot baths and showers, dining halls (many centrally heated), and recreation rooms with billiard tables and easy chairs.

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Unless actually on duty he usually leaves barracks on Friday night till Sunday night.

No pass is required to stay out after midnight at week-end. It is the rule not to keep soldiers in barracks against their wish unless on duty.

He gets a month's furlough each year besides four or five days at Christmas and Easter, and other long week-ends.

Notwithstanding these facts, the Army is 8,700 under strength. Normal establishment is 103,000. The War Office are making a special effort to attract recruits.

"We have got our best results," said Lieutenant-Colonel Basset, "from advertising in the 'Situations Vacant' column in newspapers. Men see that column who are really looking for jobs. Since the war has started, the figures from October are 1,400 greater than the same period in the previous year. About half the accepted recruits are from 18 to 19 years old."

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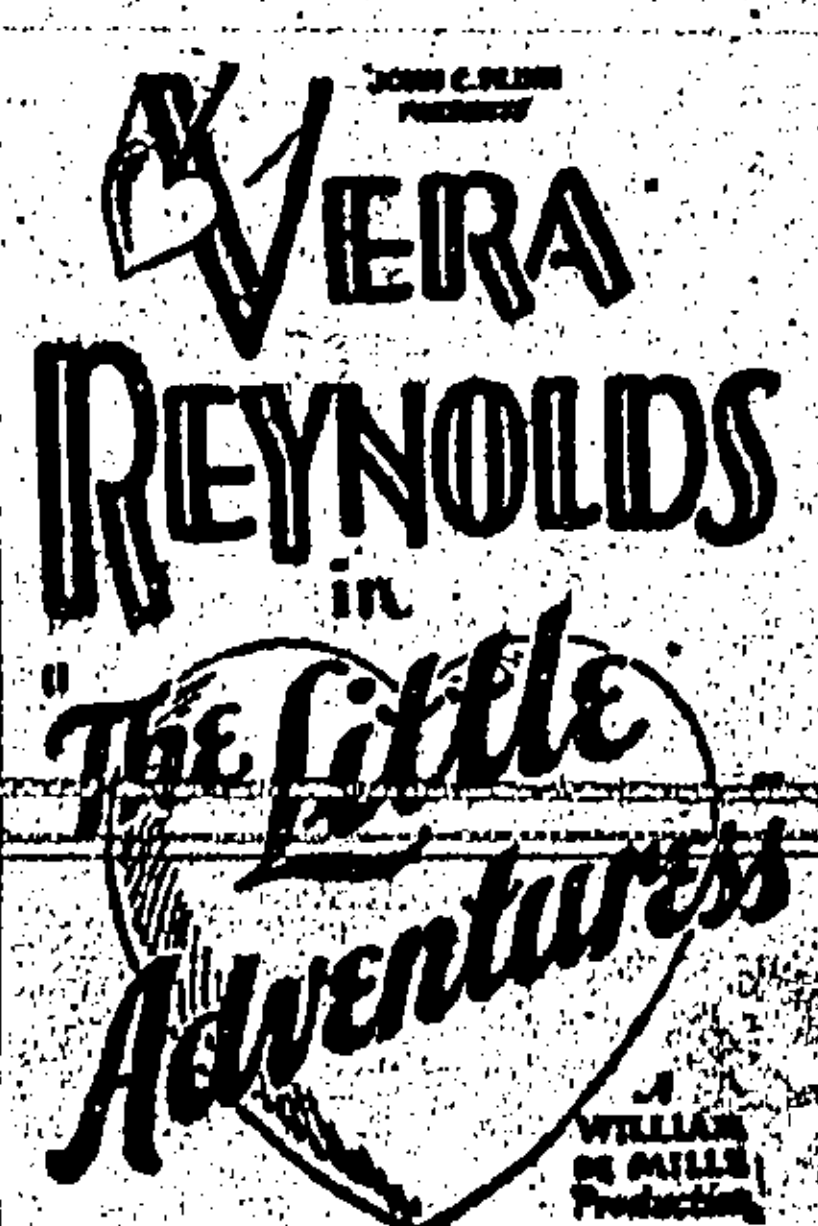
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Mr. D. Wilson, chief officer, Taiyuan, is on reserve.
Mr. F. J. Gregg, from Home leave, has gone chief officer, Taiyuan.

Mr. W. T. D. Murphy, second officer, Tatum, has gone second officer, Wanshan.
Mr. A. S. Lewis, second officer, Tatum, has gone second officer, Tatum.

Mr. S. de Candia, second officer, Wanshan, has gone second officer, Tungchow.
Mr. R. B. C. Lee, chief officer, Hupei, has gone chief officer, Hsin Peking.

Mr. E. M. Swan, chief officer, Hsin Peking, is on reserve.
Mr. A. H. Finnie, chief officer, C. N. Co., is on Home leave.

Mr. W. P. B. Paul, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Chusan.
Mr. D. S. Simpson, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chusan.

Mr. O. J. M. Bennett, second officer, Anhui, has gone second officer, Tsinan.
Mr. E. G. Long, second officer, C. N. Co., is on special Home leave.

Mr. E. Williams, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Hupei.
Mr. A. G. Corbin, second officer, Fatchan, has resigned from the C. N. Co.

Mr. N. McMillan, from reserve, has gone second officer, Fatchan.
Mr. K. A. Pegden, from reserve, has gone second officer, Lianchow.

Mr. A. M. Buchanan, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chungking.
Mr. R. A. Smith, from reserve, has gone second officer, Luchow.

Mr. E. Bruce, second officer, Luchow, has gone second officer, Szechuen.
Mr. R. L. Stenner, second officer, Fengtien, has gone second officer, Tean.

Mr. F. C. Webb, second officer, Tean, has gone second officer, Fengtien.
Mr. W. E. Hargrave, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chengtu.

Mr. J. F. C. Bartley, second officer, Chengtu, has gone second officer, Shuntien.
Mr. E. M. Foster, second officer, Shuntien, is on reserve.

Mr. J. R. G. Gow, from reserve, has gone second officer, Shengking.
Mr. F. H. Smith, second officer, Shengking, has gone second officer, Chihua.

Captain R. Allinson, of the Wantung, has gone master, Shengking.
Captain R. H. G. Ashby, of the Shengking, has gone master, Hsin Peking.

Mr. W. H. Angus, second officer, Chungking, has gone second officer, Kweiyang.
Mr. W. Bambo, second officer, Kweiyang, has gone second officer, Kaying.

Mr. D. S. Simpson, from reserve, has gone second officer, Chusan.
Captain A. McDowall, C. N. is on Home leave.

Mr. E. Kermodie, chief officer, Newchwang, is on reserve.
Mr. E. Wood, chief officer, Wantung, has gone chief officer, Newchwang.

Mr. L. V. Rowe, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Hanyang.
Mr. P. Jenkins, chief officer, Hanyang, has gone chief officer, Kanchow.

Mr. W. Dickinson, chief officer, Kanchow, is on reserve.
Mr. J. R. Middenway, chief officer, Kungwo, is on reserve.

Mr. E. T. Griffiths, from Home leave, has gone second officer, Pingwo.
Mr. A. C. Smith, second officer, Pingwo, is on reserve.

Mr. N. H. King, from reserve, has gone second officer, Kwaishang.
Mr. E. V. de Malmarche, from reserve, has gone second officer, Tingsang.

Mr. R. G. Gillespie, second officer, Luchow, has gone acting chief officer, Suifu.
Mr. D. S. Petrick, chief officer, Yusan, has gone chief officer, Kwaishang.

Captain W. Field Hook, of the Hosang, has gone master, Suisang.
Captain R. J. J. Sneddon, of the Suisang, has gone master, Hosang.

Mr. C. M. Boas, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Suisang.
Mr. S. Schofield, chief officer, Suisang, is on reserve.

Mr. J. Rees, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Legang.
Mr. T. A. Goldenberg, second officer, Kwangang, has gone second officer, Maungang.

Mr. W. Le Brun, second officer, Maungang, has gone second officer, Kwangang.
Captain L. H. Hutchings, of the Kwangang, is on reserve.

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A FEDERATION OF EUROPE.

MR. P. M. OLIVER ON THE POSSIBILITIES.

"Perhaps one of the biggest steps yet made toward creating an atmosphere in which an outbreak of war is difficult and even impossible was taken by the League of Nations Assembly this year, when it ratified the Treaty of Financial Assistance," said Mr. P. M. Oliver, in the course of an address to the Sunday Society in Manchester. The treaty meant, he said, that if in the future a State which was a member of the League was unjustly attacked by another member it would have behind it the financial backing of the whole world, and money even more than courage was the means of winning wars to-day. The League had enlisted Mammon on the side of God in the cause of peace, a thing that was not often possible.

Another big question that had occupied the minds of the Assembly this year was that of European federation. This plan of M. Briand's was interesting and important mainly from the point of view of the future machinery of the League. It looked as though we might see in days to come a number of continental federations acting as sub-committees of the League. South America already had her conference; Asia might in time grow to a live, consciousness of herself as a unit; already she was complaining that her representatives did not carry enough weight in the councils of the League. Even Africa, which hitherto had existed only as the white man's market, would come to have a soul of her own. The United States, and Australia also, were already federated.

And we should have to ask ourselves, too, what effect these federations would have on the federation of the British Empire, which was spread through every country of the world. These were matters of intense interest and afforded scope of endless speculation. We should do well not to come to any conclusions about them for ten years, which after all were but a little space in the life of a continent. By then, things might have begun to move forward in the direction of continental federation. It was above all things important to see that these movements, when they did take place, were within the League of Nations, and not outside it.

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Dr. Anderson, of the British Medical Association, said that the scheme had the full approval of the Association.

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[ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COLONEL L. G. BIRD, D.S.O., D.M.C.]

Parades.

Battery.

1.—There will be a lecture at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, February 5, for the following:
B.S.M. Puncture, R.Q.M.S. Davies, Bdr. Black, Bdr. Lamond, Bdr. De Villa, Gnr. Highet and Gnr. Laughton.

2.—Range Takers as already detailed at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters on Thursday, February 5.

3.—Signal Section. Parade at 5.30 p.m. at Headquarters on Thursday, February 5, for map reading, etc.

4.—Layers as detailed last week at 5.30 p.m. at Gun Club Hill on Thursday, February 5.

Engineer Company:—
Monday, February 2. Miniature Range shoot at 5.30 p.m.
Corps Signals:—
Parades will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, and Friday, February 5.

Machine Gun Troop:—
Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, February 5, for Machine Gun Instruction.

Armoured Car Company:—
1.—Car Section. Parade on Monday, February 2, at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Driving Instruction.

2.—Motor Cycle Section. A talk of "Map Reading and Field Measures" will be given by the Adjutant at 5.45 p.m. in lecture room on Monday, February 2.

Machine Gun Company:—

1.—Parade. The Company will parade in multi at 5.30 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters on Tuesday, February 3, with rifle, belt and bayonet. This is the practice for G.O.C. Inspection.

2.—Musketry. Machine Gun Company Rifle Club will meet at Peak Range at 9 a.m. on Sunday, February 1. Range officer: Lieut. H. Owen-Hughes.

Scottish Company:—

1.—Parades. Thursday, February 5, for Machine Gun Instruction.
No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters at 5.34 p.m. under Captain H. R. Forsyth.

No. 8 Platoon at Kowloon Dock under Lieut. A. Duncan, M.B.E.

2.—Musketry. The Company will fire Musketry Part II. at Stonecutters on Sunday, February 8. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 9 a.m., calling at Kowloon Police Pier at 9.10 a.m. Range Officer: Captain H. R. Forsyth.

Portuguese Company:—

1.—Parades. No. 10, 11 and 12 Platoons will parade at Headquarters on Friday, February 6, under Platoon arrangements.

2.—No. 12a Platoon will parade at Miniature Range for Musketry. It is most essential that every one should attend the parades in future in preparation for the General Officer, Commanding Inspector.

3.—All rifles and bayonets not yet returned to Corps Store must be returned immediately.

Corps Band:—

There will be a Band Practice at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. sharp, on Monday, February 2, and Wednesday, February 4.

Annual Rifle Meeting.
There will be committee meeting in the lecture room at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3. One representative from each unit will attend and any officers who wish to attend.

Lecture Room.

The Lecture Room is allotted to the Battery on every Thursday evening until further notice.

Parade Ground, etc.
From and including Wednesday, February 11, the Corps Parade Ground, Drill Hall and Miniature Range (when not required by the Band Miniature Range Club) will be at the disposal of the Pipe Band of the Scottish Company.

Transfer.

No. 682 Pte. W. C. Clark, Armoured Car Company, Motor Cycle Section, is transferred to Signals with effect from January 30, 1931.

No. 614 Pte. A. J. Wadmore, Reserve Company, is transferred to Corps Signals, with effect from January 30, 1931.

No. 1258 Sign. W. C. Simpson, Corps Signals, is transferred to Engineer Company, with effect from January 30, 1931.

Promotion.

H.E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint Mr. Martin Ingram de Ville to be Second Lieutenant in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from January 27, 1931.

Struck Off the Strength.
Having completed three years' service—No. 1392 Bdm. P. T. Rozario, Corps Band, as from January 30, 1931.

Leave.
Capt. M. A. Johnson, M.M., returned from leave on January 26, 1931.
Lieut. R. K. Valentine, Armoured Company, Car Section, granted leave from February 1 to December 1, 1931.

No. 1649 Pte. W. E. Hunt, No. 4 Platoon, granted leave from January 10, 1931, to January 10, 1932.

Corps Strength.
With reference to Corps Orders No. 1/31 dated February 2—instead of the Corps strength being published in Orders, copy of same will be sent to all O.C. Units for checking purposes.

(Sgd.) W. H. G. GOATER, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.

Volunteer Cricket Week.
The Volunteer Week will be held in the following manner:—

Monday, March 2, at Kowloon Cricket Club at Kowloon.

Tuesday, March 3, at The Army at H.K.C.C. ground.
Wednesday, March 4, at the Combined League at H.K.C.C. ground.
Teams will be announced later.

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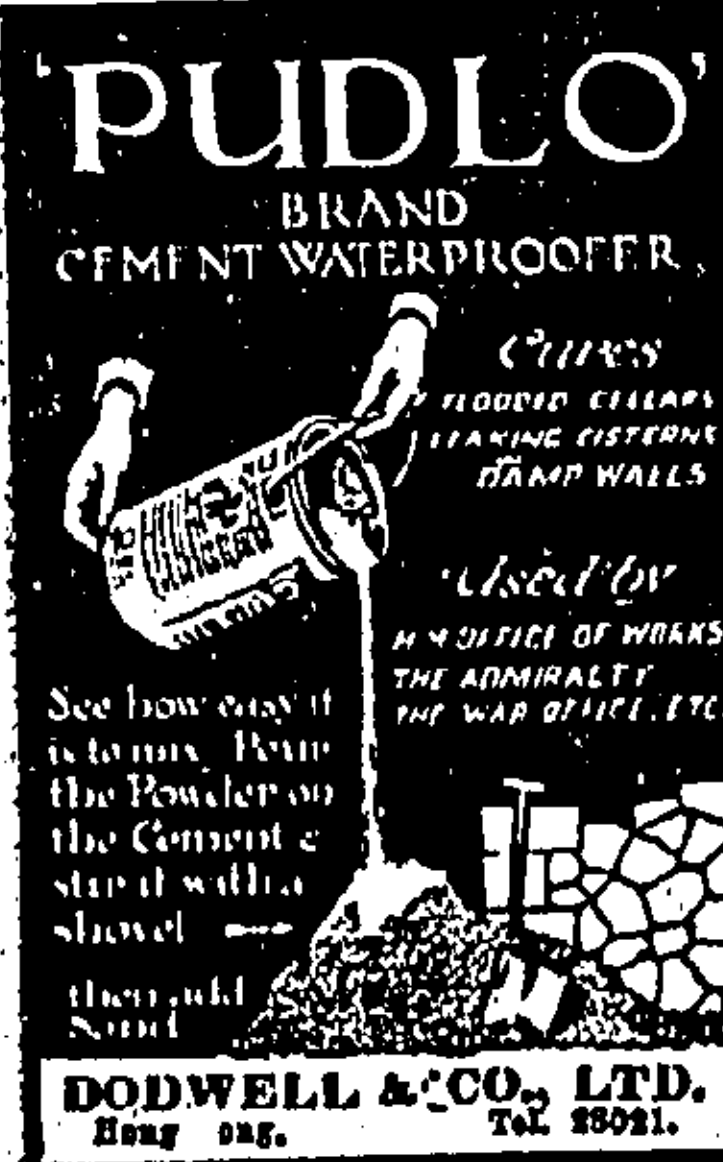
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Money and Markets

MARKET REPORTS.

RAW SILK AND COTTON.

The following reports, dated January 6, have been issued by Messrs. Hornby, Hemelryk & Co., Liverpool:

Raw Silk.

The market has been quiet but has displayed a firmer tendency during the fortnight under review, and values show on balance an appreciation of about 11 to 13 points thanks to an improved demand for Spot Silk.

The New York certificated stock on the 24th ult. totalled 4,150 bales (1,380 bales Grade C, 1,720 bales Grade D, and 470 bales Grade Z).

The mid-monthly figures denote an improvement in the Japanese statistical position, the figures comparing as follows:—

November 1-15:—Shipments to America, 24,444; arrivals from interior, 23,000; into sight, 24,604; port stocks, 141,000.

November 16-30:—Shipments to America, 24,605; arrivals from interior, 25,000; into sight, 27,270; port stocks, 142,000.

December 1-15:—Shipments to America, 21,500; arrivals from interior, 27,000; into sight, 19,005; port stocks, 139,000.

The port stocks include 112,000 bales of the syndicate, the available supplies amounting therefore to about 27,000 bales.

Business in thrown silk and in finished goods has been on small lines during the past fortnight, buyers having been disinclined to augment their stocks owing to stocktaking at the end of the year. Now that this is out of the way, the demand should improve, but the fortunes of the silk market are, of course, bound up with the general prosperity of the ultimate consumers.

American Cotton.

Three weeks ago we ventured the opinion that the pessimism was being overcome, and latterly there has been a distinctly more hopeful tone on the stock exchanges both in this country and in the U.S.A., and markets in general have been inclined to steady up.

We sincerely trust that there will be no marked advance in cotton as yet, because any substantial enhancement of values at present would encourage the American farmer to plant cotton, and what is chiefly required, not only in his own interest but also in the interest of the world at large, is that he should be induced, either by dire necessity or by argument, to reduce his acreage very drastically. Otherwise, of course, he is cutting his own throat.

In the meantime, we are faced in this country with a dispute with the weavers. The trade union officials of the weavers do not seem to have the intelligence to grasp the fact that times have changed since the boom. They cannot or will not appreciate the fact that all of us, except trade union officials, have got to work harder for our living in these hard times and for less return, and that if Lancashire is to compete seriously with other producers of cotton textiles in the world market, opposition to the adoption of the 8-loom system must cease.

The same thing applies to the coal miners in South Wales who are also being badly led by their trade union officials.

In spite of these two depressing factors, there has been a little more business passing in Lancashire, and we hear of some orders of a substantial nature from China notwithstanding the low price of silver. The demand from India remains, however, very unsatisfactory, and it is poor comfort for Lancashire to be told that other countries are suffering from the boycott of foreign goods almost as severely as Lancashire is.

In America the textile situation shows distinct improvement, and it is noticeable that spinners' margins are now improving. The curtailment of production of the last few months has brought about a state of bare shelves over there just the same as in other countries.

There is a scheme on foot in Lancashire for the fixing of definite marginal rates to cover the cost of production of efficient and reasonably financed mills on full-time working, but the scheme seems likely to remain impracticable as long as our Government will allow dumping by Russia and other countries.

The financial policy of our Government gives grave cause for concern, as it is feared that the Budget will be saddled with a deficit at the beginning of April.

But in spite of all these gloomy factors and of the weak statistical situation, the market is inclined to steady up, probably owing to the fact that we have known so many of them for some time, and that many have already been discounted in the price.

We can only hope, as we have said above, that the market will advance for the time being, but we think that retailers would do well (Continued at foot of next column.)

HONG KONG SHARE MARKET.

BENJAMIN & POTTS' WEEKLY REPORT.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts' weekly report of the local sharemarket, dated yesterday, is as follows:—

The market closed off satisfactorily. Since then a steady undertone has been maintained.

Banks.—Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, continue firm with buyers at \$2,030. Several sales were made at \$2,030/2,050. The sterling price is \$110. Bank of East Asia were sold at \$120.

Marine & Fire Insurance.—Stocks in this section have undergone very little change. Cantons remain at \$1,300 after sales at this price and at \$1,255. Unions were dealt in at \$395. Neither China Fire nor Hong Kong Fire show any change, but a few shares of the latter are obtainable at \$1,300. There are buyers of Underwriters at \$34.

Shipping.—Hong Kong, Canton and Macao Steamboats have further weakened and shares are offering at \$27. Union Waterboats are obtainable at \$39 and possibly a little lower. Shell Transports have firmed up to 70/-.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Kowloon Wharves, after sales at \$172 fell away to \$170 but close firmers at \$171. Hong Kong and Whampoa Docks are enquired for but holders are reluctant to sell at present price. A few sales were made at \$30/31. China Providents were booked at \$5.30/5.35 and the new shares are marked at \$21.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hong Kong Lands continue in demand with buyers at \$85. Humphreys Estates are slightly lower and were sold at \$174. Hong Kong Hotels have again been the medium of a fair business, with sales at \$12.70/12.90. Realty weakened to \$9.30 but close stronger with buyers at \$9.5.

Public Utilities.—Hong Kong Electric were sold down to \$70 and close with buyers at \$60. China Lights fetched \$25.30. Star Forges changed hands at \$92 and more shares can be placed. Hong Kong Tramways have been ruling weak with business done down to \$17. Pink Trams are enquired for at \$14.10. Telephones are unchanged—some partly paid shares sold at \$23.

Miscellaneous.—Dairy Farms have firmed up a little and found buyers at \$294. Green Island Cement have been largely dealt in both for cash and forward. They close a shade weaker with sellers at \$16.90. Hopes are also easier being on offer at \$13.40. Hong Kong Amusements changed hands at \$24. Government Loan continues in demand at 94 per cent premium.

Mining.—Rauha are weaker and are obtainable at \$393. Benguet were sold at \$103. Goldfields of Venezuela have strengthened in London and sales were made locally at \$3.55.

Cotton Mills.—Eros are in good demand and are wanted at \$15.14.55. Shanghai Cottons are unchanged.

Rubbers.—The buying rate of rubber is quoted at 3.15/16 per lb., and the following are the latest cable advices received from Shanghai:—

Anglo-Javas	84.85
Anglo-Dutch	2.50
Batu Anans	.35
Chemors	.85
Consolidated	1.45
Krococks	1.30
Repahs	.60
Tanah Merah	.75
Tebongs	1.30
Zingbes	4.25

Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London is 114d. and on Shanghai 75. Forward Settlement Days.

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to stock up now that goods are so cheap and secure the benefit of the present low price.

Egyptian Cotton.

Steadier markets have prevailed during the past week on short covering and on some buying of Egyptian against sales of American.

On the other hand, some profit taking has been noticeable on the part of people who were long of Liverpool, Sakel contracts and short in Alexandria.

There is little fresh news from Alexandria, but the demand for Sakel is said to have improved. Jobs are decided to continue abstaining from trading in the future market until yesterday.

According to the Alexandria Canal Report, the total exports for the season up to December 31 were 375,000 bales, against 494,730 bales in the corresponding period a year ago. Receipts so far this season show a decline of about 10 per cent compared with last year, but the stock at the end of December totalled 5,204,000 cantars, against 3,253,944 cantars in Alexandria a year ago.

MURDERERS THANK "RED TAPE."

MANY FREE BECAUSE OF POLICE HANDICAPS.

Prominent criminologists in England, reviewing the long list of unsolved murders of 1930, still hold that many of them remain mysteries solely because of the conditions under which police inquiries are made following the report and recommendations of the Royal Commission on Police Procedure.

It is argued that many of the recommendations of the Commission seriously handicap the police in dealing with suspected persons, as well as providing the criminals with a full knowledge of the legal powers of the investigating officers. It is pointed out that a suspect, by the Commission's findings, has been forewarned and, in addition, has been practically advised to hold his tongue and to be constantly on his guard against compromising himself.

The police, it is stated, are also apprehensive that there is a tendency to "molly-coddle" the criminal, and that the authorities are perhaps inclined to show too much consideration to wrongdoers.

1929's Legacy.

The year began with a legacy of seven unsolved murders from 1929. These have been added to by the following:—

Mrs. Carrie Whitehouse, found dead at Chesham.

Bonnie Prendergast, stabbed at Brighton.

Agnes Kesson, found murdered in a ditch at Epsom.

Samuel Butler, found in a car at Epsom.

Samuel Wilson, shot dead while driving his motor-car at Warsop, near Mansfield.

Margery Wren, murdered in her shop in Church-road, Ramsgate; and

Mrs. Thomas, killed by arsenic at Lewannick, Cornwall.

CHINESE TARIFF SCHEDULES.

AMERICAN WILLINGNESS TO ACCEPT NEW RATES.

Washington, Jan. 24.—A general willingness on the part of Americans to accept the new Chinese tariff schedules, which became effective on the first of this year, was demonstrated to-day at the U.S. Department of Commerce where it was revealed that so far no protests have been lodged against the new Chinese import duties.

However, it is understood here that the acceptance of the Chinese tariff schedules by the Americans is in contrast to the attitude of the British who have indicated that they regard some of the Chinese import duty schedules as excessive.

Also, some American businessmen are reported by the Department of Commerce to be apprehensive over expected Chinese internal excise duties. They, it is believed, will result in protests from Americans.

Officials contend that time should be taken to study the taxation policies of the Chinese Government as they develop from time to time.

77 GIRLS IN GAOL WITHOUT TRIAL.

REVELATIONS OF NEW POLICE METHODS.

New York, Thursday, January 8. Startling revelations that scores of young girls have been illegally sent to the Bedford Reformatory were made to-day before the grand jury which is investigating the charges of alleged corruption in several New York magistrate courts.

Evidence was produced to show that seventy-seven girls between the ages of sixteen and twenty-one, who pleaded guilty to being wayward minors, were sent to the reformatory without trial, in direct violation of the State law, which prohibits the acceptance of a guilty plea by minors.

Fifty-one of these girls are still prisoners.

Judge Seabury, who is conducting the investigation, announced that he is submitting a list of the girls still detained to the Governor of the State, with a view to having many of the girls pardoned.

According to the State law, minors can only be committed to reformatories on the complaint of a parent or other authorized person, and not on their own plea of guilt. They must also be given a full court hearing before sentence can be passed.

To-day's testimony, however, showed that magistrates in the women's court had accepted the minor plea of guilty and had merely sentenced them.

Commitments were made by seven magistrates, including Mrs. Jean Norris, the only woman magistrate in New York.

Judge Seabury, in announcing his intention to secure a pardon for the girls, said: "There is not a court in the world that would continue to hold these girls."

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.

EXTENSION AT KOWLOON TONG PROPOSED.

That the officers of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, were contemplating extending their activities to the district of Kowloon Tong, where it was intended to erect a branch church, was made by Mr. C. Carruthers, Hon. Secretary of the Church Council, at the annual meeting which was held in the Church Hall last evening.

The Rev. W. W. Rogers, the Vicar, presided at the meeting, and he was supported by Mr. Carruthers, Mr. O. B. Raven (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. F. W. Stapleton (People's Warden), Mr. J. W. Baldwin (Vicar's Warden), and Capt. R. D. Thomas.

Addressing the meeting, the chairman said that the past year was the first they had spent since the passing of the Church Ordinance, and he thought it had been a satisfactory year.

In referring to the Financial Committee, of which Capt. R. D. Thomas was the chairman, the Vicar mentioned that for the first time since he had arrived in the Colony they had a debit balance, which he attributed to the collapse of the dollar.

The speaker announced that this year the Church would be celebrating its 25th anniversary, and one of the things to be considered was how the anniversary should be celebrated.

The Officials.

The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:—

Church Council: Mr. J. W. Baldwin, Mr. R. Baldwin, Mr. O. Carruthers, Mrs. Donald, Mr. A. W. Eastman, Capt. C. Franklin, Mr. H. Gitting, Mr. O. B. Raven, Miss W. A. Robinson, Mrs. D. M. Rogers, Mr. F. W. Stapleton, Mr. S. A. Sweet, Capt. R. D. Thomas, Miss E. K. Walters, Mr. R. H. Wong and Miss McGill.

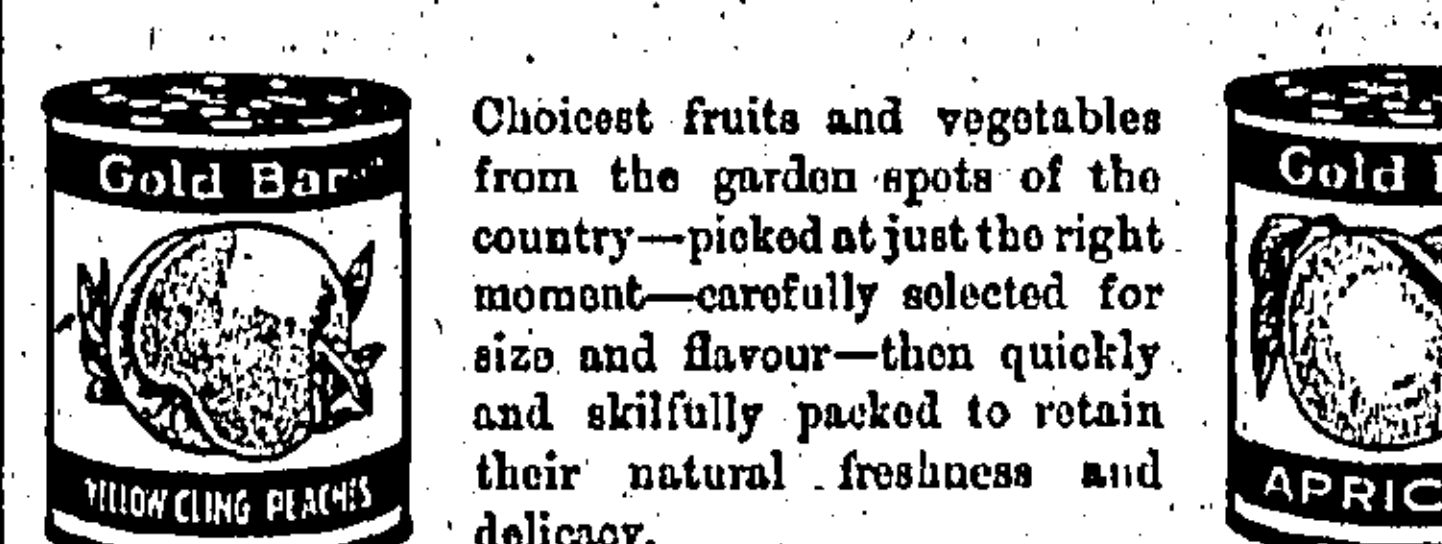
People's Warden, Mr. F. W. Stapleton; Vicar's Warden, Mr. J. W. Baldwin.

It was also proposed that Mr. T. A. Martin, who had been Hon. Auditor for several years, be invited to become Hon. Auditor for the forthcoming year.

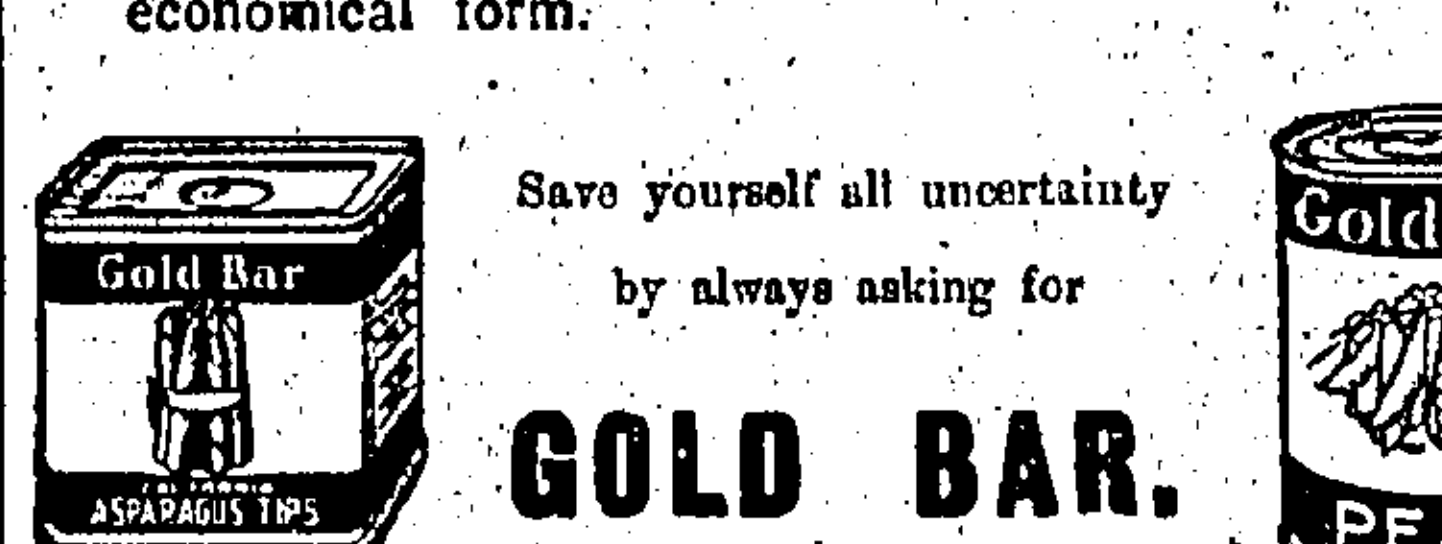
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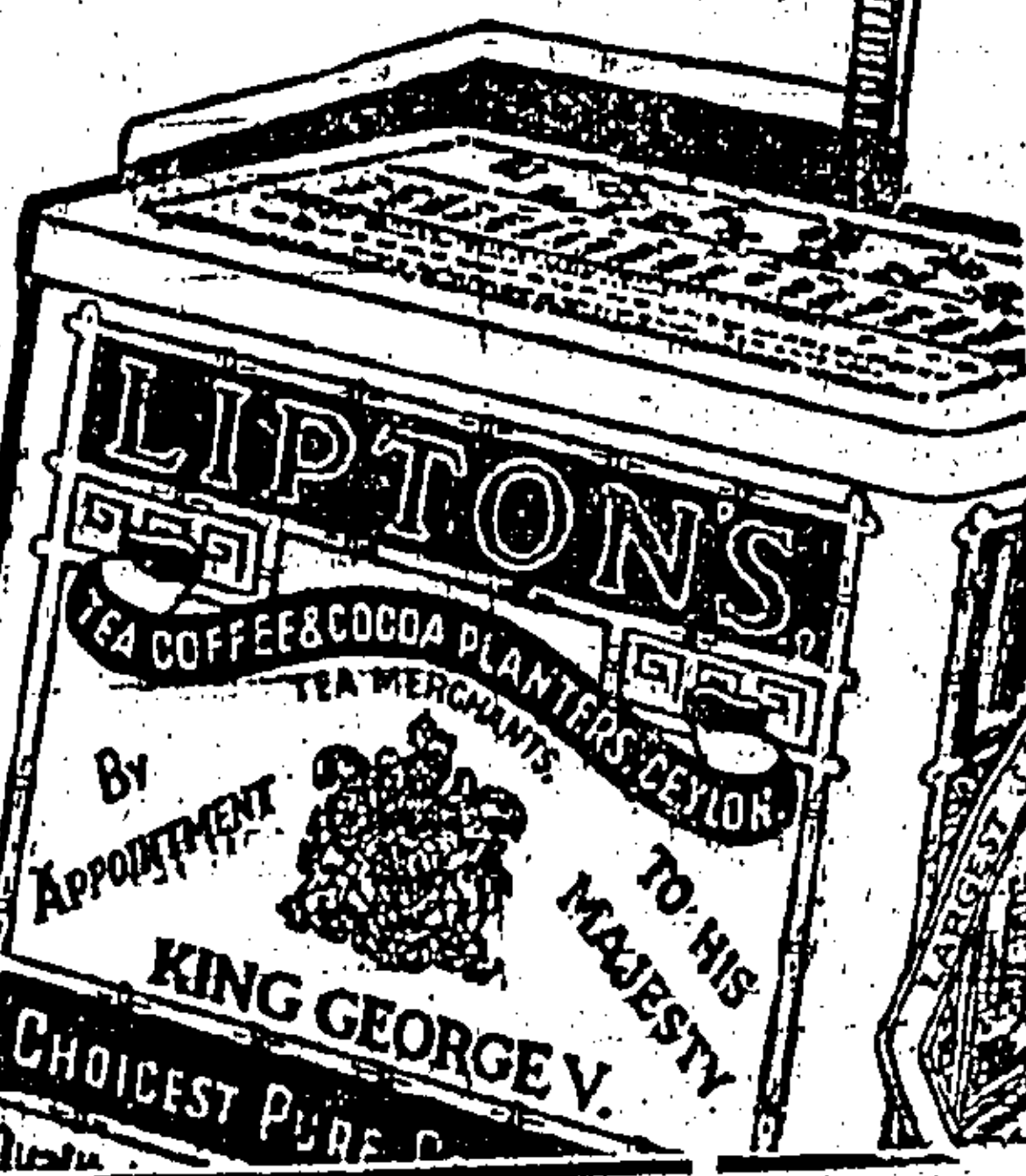
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[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS"]

THE BANKRUPTCY OF HONG KONG.

SIR,—The legislative Council has declared the Colony bankrupt by repudiating its sterling contracts with its officers and compelling them to accept a composition.

I should be glad if any reader could and would inform me how the following firms are dealing with their Gold Service contracts: Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.

Chartered Bank.
Mercantile Bank.
Union Insurance Society of Canton.

Butterfield & Swire.
Asiatic Petroleum Co.
Standard Oil Co. of New York.
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The Governor's service contracts can only be a small part of the expected budget deficiency. Will the Government tell the Colony whether it can rely on the Government paying 100 cents to the dollar on other contracts? and will its Chinese Officers get 100 cents to the dollar on their pay—Yours, etc.

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WHY NOT INCOME TAX?

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG DAILY PRESS"]

SIR,—In view of the statement made by H.E. the Governor at the Legislative Council meeting on January 29, that a decline of one penny in the value of the dollar would cost the Colony one million dollars, and that this amount could be saved by cutting the salaries 12½ per cent., will H.E. assure the Colony that for every penny the dollar declines he will cut the salaries?

This seems to be the only way to save the Colony from financial ruin, the Civil Servants have no redress, they are unable to do more than mildly petition for justice. To an ordinary member of the public it seems perfectly equitable that the extra taxation necessary, owing to the fall of the dollar, should be borne entirely by the Civil Servants and that the Public who employ them should be left to enjoy their incomes and salaries without tax. This should be especially appreciated by the many thousands in the Colony who enjoy all the privileges of British justice and draw large incomes without having to pay income tax or taxes on un-

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LOCAL IRISHMEN.

ST. PATRICK'S SOCIETY IN FULL SWING.

FIRST BALL ON MARCH 17.

The Committee of the newly-formed St. Patrick's Society of Hong Kong find that the formation of the Society and getting it into running order, as well as the arrangements for their first Ball on March 17, give them plenty to think about and to do, but they are putting in some very useful team work as well as acting individually in the various capacities to which they have been deputed. They are greatly encouraged by the hearty enthusiasm of the many Irishmen and Irishwomen in the Colony who are joining up in large numbers. Up to date they have the names of over 200 members and prospective members, and they look forward to an appreciable increase of this number.

Generous Donation.

One of the members who desired to remain anonymous has since consented to his generosity being published. He is Mr. Andrew Harper, who is well-known in the Colony. He was born in county Tyrone on June 11, 1885, has joined the Society as a Life Member and has made a handsome gift of five hundred dollars to the general fund of the Society.

The Committee has wisely decided that all entrance fees, subscription fees, and donations should be devoted entirely to charitable purposes and general expenses of administration, and that balls and similar social functions should pay for themselves.

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earned income, or in fact anything like a quarter of the taxes paid by the residents of Great Britain for the same protection and services.

Could you, Mr. Editor, inform the Public what amount would accrue to the revenue of the Colony from an un-earned income tax and a graduated income tax equal to what the English one would bring in?

I have been informed that fifty million dollars per year is a very conservative estimate. It is easily understood that such taxes would fall upon the shoulders of those who are well able to bear them and that the loyalty of the wealthy members of the Public could never be questioned. That they have not already suggested these taxes can only be due to an oversight on their part, and that they will at once come forward to turn the budget deficit into an enormous credit balance is the earnest hope of yours faithfully,

PRO BONO PUBLICO.
Hong Kong, Jan. 30.

During the past week the Committee has met twice under the chairmanship of Mr. F. P. R. James, Chairman of Committee, and among other things has approved the expression of the Rules, as agreed to in principle at the inaugural general meeting. Copies will shortly be distributed to all members.

Cable to Sir J. Kemp.

A cable is being sent to Sir Joseph Kemp, who is at present at Home, intimating his election as President of the Society.

Various Sub-Committees have been formed in connection with the Ball, and as the result of their deliberations it has been decided to hold the St. Patrick's Day Ball at the Peninsula Hotel. Supper, wines and other liquid refreshments will be provided at an inclusive cost of 10 dollars per head. The Ball will commence at 8.30 p.m. on that day and will conclude at 2 a.m. next morning. Letters have been sent to all members and prospective members asking for particulars of the number of tickets required, etc. It is hoped to have all such necessary information by February 10.

Irish Dances.

The Committee is desirous of including a number of Irish dances in the ball programme and of affording opportunities for prior practice. They can arrange for the necessary room and instruction and invite all those who intend to participate to submit their names as early as possible to the Hon. Secretary, P.O. Box 417, Hong Kong. Further particulars will then be communicated.

Certain other details are still under consideration and additional information will be published as early as possible.

WESTMINSTER GLEE SINGERS.

ANOTHER SPLENDID HOW LAST NIGHT.

The popularity of the Westminster Glee Singers remains undiminished and last night they again played to a very full house at the City Hall.

The various items presented proved to be wholesome fare for the audience who were not slow in appreciating the quality of the songs.

Albert Greene, the comedian of the troupe again scored a personal triumph and his gestures threw the house into peals of laughter. Ernest McKinley and James Barber were deservedly well received. The boy sopranos sang very well indeed and Mr. Branscombe and his talented troupe can fully depend on the wholehearted support of every lover of music.

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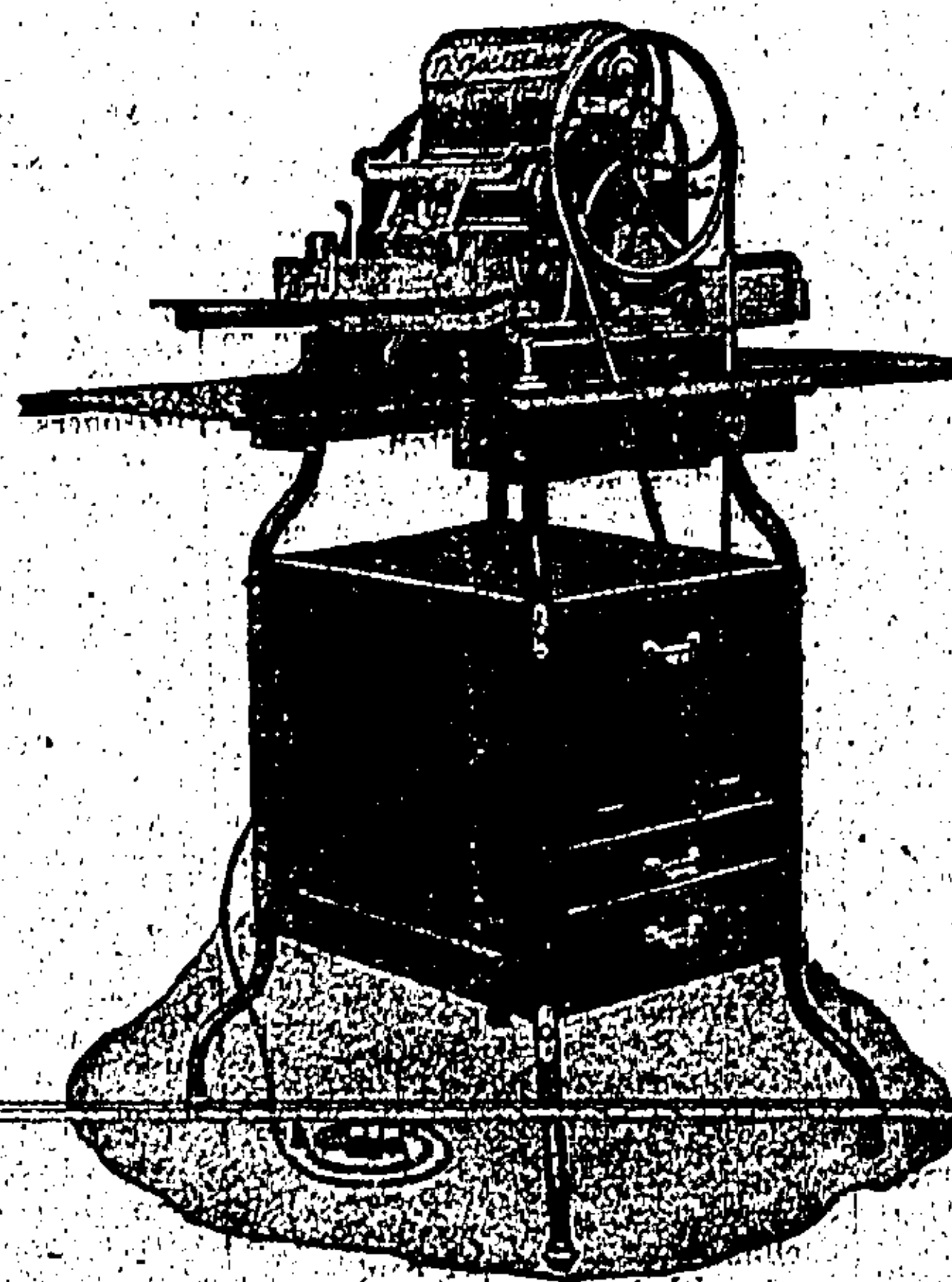
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BIG FIRE AT CANTON.**EIGHT BUILDINGS DESTROYED.**

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Jan. 30. Another big fire occurred in Canton last night, reducing eight buildings to ashes.

The disaster was due to the carelessness of a *foki* of the Ching Lung butcher shop in Nam Kwan while drying sausages over a stove.

The fire assumed such a threatening attitude that it raged furiously for over two hours before it could be brought under control.

The huge quantities of peanut oil and other inflammable materials in stock added to the fury of the flames.

A great portion of the city was vividly illuminated when the conflagration was at its height.

The Canton Fire Brigade responded to the call immediately and fought the flames with great courage.

There were no casualties, but several of the panic-stricken residents were injured, more or less seriously, while removing their belongings to safety.

The loss is estimated at \$65,000.

LOCAL ESTATES.**TWO APPLICATIONS GRANTED.**

Wong Tai Yan, who died intestate at No. 47, Tsz Hang Street, Canton, on February 19, 1929, left Hong Kong estate which has been valued at \$49,500. Letters of administration have been granted to Wong Wing Dick, who is temporarily living at No. 220, Queen's Road Central.

Local estate to the value of \$1,500 was left by Lucas Leonardo (or Leonard) da Silva, late of No. 7, Morrison Gap Road, Hong Kong, who died intestate at that address on July 7, 1930, being survived by his widow, three daughters and five sons. Letters of administration have been granted to the widow, Constanca Maria da Silva.

DEATH OF MR. F. T. GOMES.**VETERAN EMPLOYEE OF KOWLOON DOCK.**

The death occurred at 2.15 yesterday at his residence, 10, Austin Road, Kowloon, of Mr. Francisco Theotimo Gomes, an old member of the Portuguese community.

Mr. Gomes had been an employee of the Kowloon Dock for 45 years. He has spent practically all his life in Hong Kong and was 76 years of age.

Of a quiet and unassuming disposition, Mr. Gomes has endeared himself to a large circle of friends, whose sympathy will be extended to members of his family.

The funeral took place yesterday at the Roman Catholic cemetery.

UNION CHURCH MEETING.**COMMITTEES APPOINTED.**

At the annual meeting of Union Church, held on Thursday, the following Committees were appointed:—

Committee of Management: Rev. E. G. Powell, Messrs. A. T. Hamilton, J. Mitchell, J. A. Wattie, D. McNeillie, E. Hime-worth, P. D. Wilson, C. O. Hickling, M. F. Key, T. S. Whyte-Smith, A. Stevenson, W. Elliott, N. M. Currie and N. Drummond, Jr. (Hon. Secretary).

Ladies' Committee: Mesdames Foxell, Purvis, McNeillie, Hamilton, Drummond, Mitchell, Currie, Goodall, P. D. Wilson, McLeod, Pryce and Foster.

FRENCH MISSION AT CANTON.**LAND AND BUILDINGS RETURNED TO CHINA.**

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Jan. 30. In compliance with the request of the Canton Government the authorities of the French Cathedral in Canton formally returned a large portion of its leased land to the Canton Government yesterday, when the latter agreed to refund \$550,000 (Hong Kong currency) for the 82 buildings erected thereon.

Negotiations for the retrocession of the site had been in progress for several years, the local Government maintaining that the French Mission had violated its agreement with the Chinese Government when it erected the buildings and let them, thus converting the site into a business enterprise.

An agreement for the return to the Chinese Government of the site and the buildings was signed in Government House yesterday, Mayor Lin Wan Koi representing the Chinese Government and Bishop Fourquet the French Mission.

The document states, *inter alia*, that the French Mission agrees to return to the Chinese Government its leased land and the 82 concrete buildings erected thereon, located on Yintak Road, Sai Sen Road, Tang Yuen Alley, Tung Sen Street, and Sing Hsin Road, upon the latter's agreement to reimburse the former \$550,000 (Hong Kong currency), being the cost of the building construction.

Henceforth the Canton Municipal Government shall have the right to dispose of these properties as it sees fit.

DISHONEST AMAH.**STEALS SPOONS AND \$10 NOTE.****MRS. SOMERSET FITZROY VICTIMISED.**

Mrs. Somerset Fitzroy was complainant in a case in which a Chinese amah was prosecuted for theft of two spoons, a fork and a \$10 note.

Mrs. Fitzroy stated that having reason to go to Aberdeen in a hurry on Thursday, she overlooked her purse containing a \$100 note and a \$10 note. On her return, she discovered the loss of the \$10 note, and, suspecting the amah, who had previously received notice of dismissal, went to the latter's room. The amah was not in but Mrs. Fitzroy discovered two spoons and a fork inside a basket belonging to the amah.

Having summoned her, Mrs. Fitzroy said to defendant, holding her purse in one hand and stretching out her other hand: "Missus' money, chop chop." The defendant understood, for she immediately produced a \$10 note from her pocket and handed it over to witness.

"I would not have brought this charge," Mrs. Fitzroy told the Court, "if she had not acted so ridiculously." Witness had caught up the edge of a quilt belonging to the defendant, with a view to expediting the process of packing-up, it being her intention to dismiss the defendant on the spot and not take further action. However, as soon as witness mentioned "police" just to frighten and hasten her, the defendant proceeded to howl and scream. She kept this up for half-an-hour, and witness said she had to go into the garden to get away from it. "She was shrieking the house down," Mrs. Fitzroy commented.

As to what happened afterwards, Mrs. Fitzroy said she understood the amah was taken to the police station before her arrest.

Mr. Fitzroy, who was in Court, said he was not pressing the charge. The defendant was convicted and sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment. She was removed from the dock, weeping.

BRITISH ECONOMIC MISSION.**ARRIVAL YESTERDAY.****REPORT TO BE PREPARED IN HONG KONG.**

The British Economic Mission to the Far East arrived in Hong Kong yesterday on the P. & O. liner *Comet*, from Shanghai, and will remain here until March.

The Mission will be making investigations in Hong Kong conducted on lines similar to their work in Shanghai and Japan and, this work is expected to occupy a week. Before compiling their report, members of the Mission will interview the heads and executives of various firms in Hong Kong and Canton.

They will then be engaged in the gigantic work of classifying the mass of information and data that has been gathered during the past three months from the North. For this work, the whole suite of offices on the first floor of the Peninsula Hotel will be used, and the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce has been asked to engage a staff of six stenographic typists and four copying typists to prepare the report.

On arriving in Hong Kong yesterday the Mission was met by Mr. E. W. Hamilton, representing the Hong Kong Government, Mr. M. F. Key, of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce and Mr. Chan Heung Pak, of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Hamilton has been delegated by the Government to assist the Mission. The Cotton Mission, whose members are also on the Economic Mission will also prepare its report in Hong Kong.

During their stay in Hong Kong, members of the Mission will be entertained at Government House and by both Chambers of Commerce at either lunch or dinner, but so far no definite dates have been fixed. They are due to leave Hong Kong on March 5 for England.

ARREST AFTER TWO YEARS.**PRISONER IDENTIFIED BY FOUR PERSONS.**

The hearing was resumed yesterday, before Mr. Butters at the Kowloon Magistracy, of the case in which an unemployed Chinese is charged with having assaulted Wong Sik Yuen, a Chinese doctor, at 60, Lai Chi Kok Road, on March 23, 1929.

Wong Kwok Chu, grandson of complainant, under cross-examination by Mr. Lo, said that he picked out defendant at the identification parade without hesitation. He was not told by anyone before the identification that he would have to pick out a man with a prominent forehead.

In the previous case against two men, he had said in evidence that the man who occupied the cubicle was the one who pointed the pistol at his grandfather. Witness admitted that his grandmother had entreated the five men not to hurt her husband but to take everything.

Assistant Superintendent Murphy, giving evidence of the identification parade held on January 4, stated that the parade was conducted by him at the Charge Room, No. 2 Police Station.

The prisoner had paraded with ten others, all dressed alike. Four witnesses, including complainant, his grandson, a nephew and a daughter picked out prisoner as the man wanted by the police, but his wife could not identify the prisoner.

In reply to Mr. Lo, Mr. Murphy, A.S.P., said that none of the identifying witnesses told him that they could recognize defendant by his prominent forehead, and also that none of the witnesses were given intimation of the number of suspects in the identification line.

Mr. Butters adjourned the case until February 18.

HONG KONG-CANTON TELEPHONE.**SUBMARINE CABLE SUCCESSFULLY LAID.****THIRTY SIMULTANEOUS CONVERSATIONS WITH CANTON.**

Something like one and a quarter mile of "13 quad" cable was successfully laid across the harbour by the Hong Kong Telephone Company yesterday, and this marked further progress in the Hong Kong-Canton line, which, as was stated in these columns a few days ago, will probably be completed by the end of August next.

This operation entailed a lot of hard work as arrangements had to be made with the authorities so that it would not interfere with the shipping. Ten o'clock was the hour fixed for the start, but long before that hour, Blake Pier was crowded with people who were anxious to give the submarine cable a good send-off.

Before the laying of the submarine cable took place, however, the "land end" of the line had to be done so that from 7 a.m. a gang of workmen were busy on the work which took them something like two hours to complete.

Promptly at ten, two blasts from the launch's siren told all and sundry that everything was ready, and proceeded by a police launch, the lighter from which the cable was slowly but steadily paid out made its way across to the Police pier (near the Railway Station) along a course that was marked out with red buoys. Meanwhile the work on the lighter itself was going on space. The cable was just like a huge python coiled up snugly, and no doubt the gang of coolies who were working on it found it rather hot work as they unwound the coils.

About fifty-five minutes from the start the cable was tied up on the Kowloon end where it will be joined to the main line to Canton at a later date. The cable was tested on Thursday night and found to be highly efficient, and it was again tried immediately after reaching the Kowloon end to ascertain it had not suffered any damage on the way.

This is the heaviest cable ever handled by the Telephone Company and when completed will provide for thirty simultaneous conversations with Canton.

Mr. J. P. Sherry, the manager of the Company, was present throughout the proceedings together with Mr. W. Clark and other officials of the Company. Mr. Burnett of the Chin Electric Company was also an interested spectator.

FAMOUS ARCHITECT IN HONG KONG.**SIR J. SIMPSON ON EASTERN BUILDINGS.**

Sir John Simpson, R.I.B.A., the eminent architect, who arrived here yesterday morning by the P. & O. s.s. *Malwa*, is on a holiday visit to the Far East.

Interviewed by a *Daily Press* representative, Sir John said that he had not yet had time to form an opinion on architecture in the Far East. As far as he could judge the design of buildings most closely met the requirements of the climate.

What had struck him forcibly on the voyage out was the total absence of posters and signs in the ports that he had visited. They were an eternal eyesore to him in Britain and the Continent.

Sir John stated that there were no startling innovations in architecture at home. Architecture pursued its way in the traditional style.

The planning, however, of some of the new London theatre had been vastly improved during the last few years, and it would not be long now before their acoustic properties would be well-nigh perfect.

NEONLITE CASE.**COMMISSION FOR WORK AS CANVASSER.****PLAINTIFF SUCCEEDS IN HIS CLAIM.**

Judgment in favour of the plaintiff was given by the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Jackson) at the Summary Court yesterday in the action brought by Mr. J. M. Xavier against the China Neonlite Company, and two partners, Ip Lan Chuen and Ip Tai Kwong.

Plaintiff claimed that as a result of introduction of customers, sales of Neonlite signs were made to the Asiatic Petroleum Company (South China), Ltd., the Standard Oil Company of New York, and the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., on which he was due commission. He asked (1) an account of all sales made by defendants to the purchasers mentioned, and (2) payment of commission at ten per cent. on the amount of the sales.

The Judgment.

In giving judgment his Lordship said:—The defendants admitted that the plaintiff would have been entitled to commission at the rate of ten per cent. on the contracts but for the fact that on April 30, 1930, he waived his claim to commission and requested defendants to divide it among other salesmen in defendants' employ. The claim and the defence rest entirely on the evidence of plaintiff on the one hand and Mr. Malarky on the other. Both gave their evidence in a perfectly straight forward manner. They told different stories, but I think this is due to a misunderstanding.

It is possible that plaintiff, in a fit of impatience at the slow progress which was being made with the business he introduced, may have said he would throw up the whole matter and forego any commission to which he might have been entitled, in which case the defendants would have been free to do what they liked with the commission.

Allegation Not Proved.

But, did he really say this? If he did, did he really mean it, I doubt this. He does not appear to be a man who could afford to throw money away in this manner. If plaintiff really meant this, I think Mr. Malarky should have obtained some release in writing in order to be quite safe in paying away the commission to anyone else. The question appears to be, did plaintiff abandon his right to the commission as alleged? I think, in view of their admission, that he was entitled to it, that the onus is on them to prove their allegation. I consider they have failed in this.

I do not doubt Mr. Malarky, but I think he misunderstood the position. If plaintiff did make any statement of the type alleged, and it was taken seriously, Mr. Malarky, as I said before, would have been well advised in making a written memorandum of the abandonment by plaintiff of his right to any commission which might be due to him. I believe that Mr. Malarky acted quite honestly in the matter as he understood it, but, on the facts given, I cannot believe that plaintiff abandoned all his rights in the manner he is alleged to have done.

Judgment for Plaintiff.

I give judgment for the plaintiff against the first and third defendants with costs. If the plaintiff wishes to obtain judgment against the second defendant, he must apply to the Court for a date to be fixed for trial as to the issue of whether the second defendant is a partner or not.

His Lordship added that he was satisfied that the fourth defendant (Mr. Malarky) was not a party to the action as it now stood and his name would be struck out.

On an application by Mr. J. T. Prior, for the defendants, to which Mr. D. L. Strellett, plaintiff's solicitor raised no objection, his Lordship limited the amount of the claim to \$1,000.

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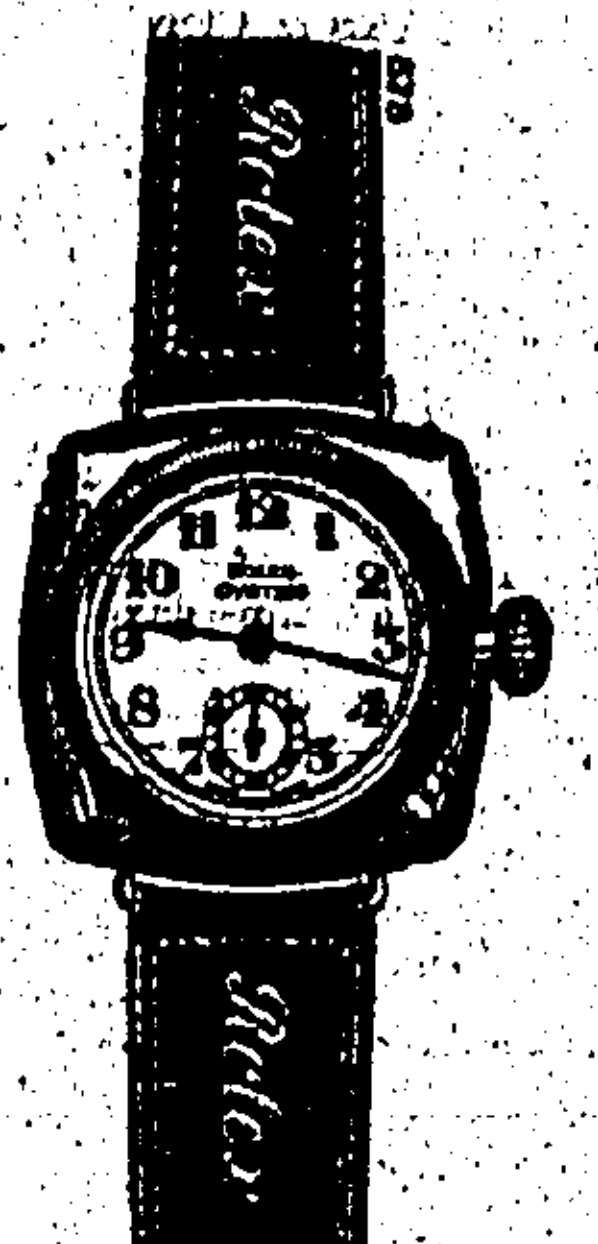
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Dollar, all the LOCAL INDIAN
SILK STORES have decided to in-
crease the Prices of their Stock by
20% (Twenty Per Cent.) from the 10th
of FEBRUARY, 1930. [345]

HONG KONG FOOTBALL
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RUGBY INTERPORT.

HONG KONG v. SHANGHAI
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H. M. M'AVISH,
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HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL
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THE ANNUAL SHOW OF
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will be held at the CITY HALL on
THURSDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1931.
ENTRIES will be received until
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FEBRUARY, 1931, at the HON.
SECRETARY'S OFFICE, but it is
hoped that intending Exhibitors will
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J. T. BAGRAM,
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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.25 p.m., stated:

The anti-cyclone has partially dispersed. Pressure being now the highest over the Lower Yangtze Valley. Coast fog is indicated.

Local Forecast:—E. winds, moderate; fair generally; some fog.

BIRTH.

FOSTER HALL.—On January 29, 1931, at Shamshui, to THONWYN, wife of B. FOSTER HALL, a daughter. [264]

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GOVERNMENT FINANCES.

We are sure that so able and conscientious a body of men as the Civil Servants of Hong Kong will accept the decision of the Government to reduce their sterling salaries, by fixing half the payments at the rate of 1/6 to the dollar, in the spirit called for by H.E. THE GOVERNOR. It involves a sacrifice as a large number of the Civil Servants are making heavy sterling remittances to England for the education of their children, for life assurance and for the assistance of relatives. The contracts between the Government and its employees as to remuneration are perfectly clear, and the great attraction of the Civil Service has always been security of tenure and security of salary. Without such inducements the present type of candidates would not be offering their services. It would be necessary either to lower the standard of the entrance examinations, or, as in the case of the Diplomatic Services and many regiments of the Army, to accept only men of private means. On the other hand, extraordinary circumstances call for corresponding measures. Private firms have had to reduce staffs and salaries. Englishmen out here are having to work harder for less money. The old days when one came out East to make one's fortune are gone. One has to be content to be in work and living at a fairly decent standard when there are at least twenty million unemployed, mainly Europeans, in the world.

In Hong Kong prices have not risen to a degree corresponding with the fall of the dollar. Moreover, there are possible economies in manner of living, on the lines already indicated in this column. The commercial community is having to adapt itself to the new conditions, and, despite all agreements and contracts, it would be an intolerable anomaly for the Civil Service to gain in proportion to what the remainder of the community was losing. Human nature is human nature, and while no one doubts that in any case the Government would do all it could to alleviate the present situation, the personal application of loss owing to prevailing conditions cannot fail to act as a spur to its endeavours. It will make the distinction between luxury and necessity, both personal and governmental, very much clearer.

The position of the Government, as Sir WILLIAM PEARCE WATSON, is "serious indeed," unless the dollar rises. The sterling commitments in the approved Budget for this year are £277,000, at the rate of 1/5 to the dollar. If the dollar averages a shilling \$3.98, 000 would have to be added to the expenditure figure. A deficit of \$2,300,000 is expected (in

worked out more happily than expected) and the total deficiency looked for, in this very likely contingency of a shilling dollar, is \$3,080,000, "a sum perilously near our present surplus."

Everyone will sympathise with the difficulties of the Government. Maintenance of proper sanitary, water and other services on an overcrowded rock like Hong Kong is an absolute necessity. The slightest relaxation of these and many other expensive services might see an outbreak of one of the endemic diseases, now held in check. A proper police force is another necessity. To save on roads is to check building development and the creation of a revenue asset. Taxes have been increased, but apart from the levy on house property, taxes are neither easy nor inexpensive to collect from the Chinese population, and, what could be obtained, say from income tax, would hardly be worth the cost of collection. A correspondent holds other views, but we do not think Chinese mentality would take kindly to income tax forms!

The main line of attack would seem to be a ruthless campaign of petty economy in all Government Offices. The census may be useful. It is not a necessity. Are the Government Offices run on an economic basis? Small accounts, total up in surprising manner. Is there any opening for another CARVALHO Yeo? Is a revision of passage money Home at all possible? Lavishness is a principle of British Government, and though in certain directions indicated "penny wise is pound foolish," there is truth in the adage about looking after the pence.

THE LUCIA OFFICERS.

The severe retribution that has fallen upon three officers of H.M.S. Lucia has no doubt caused considerable surprise. There are many who will say that no matter what the rights and wrongs of the matter may be, authority and discipline must be upheld! They will argue that the men of the Navy have been encouraged in the belief that they have only to create a disturbance to get rid of strict and efficient officers. There are many who hold that a fighting service needs a leavening of martinet, that good men, down in their hearts like a term with a "sea terror." The experience is like a midwinter bath in the Serpentine, unpleasant but invigorating, and something to boast about in after life! Who has not heard the old salt say, "I served a commission with old Nutty. He wasn't so bad if you were all right. I'd rather have him than some I could name."

That is the argument, but it is out of date. In any case there is all the difference in the world between the strict officer and the man who provokes. "Incidents." One of the hardest men who ever sailed in a British man-of-war was Sir JOHN JENNIS, Lord St. VINCENT. He suppressed several mutinies and hanged men at the yard arm. But he never provoked a mutiny, and his main war was on rascally contractors. He was feared, but with rough affection, for he made his fleet comfortable as well as efficient. A man of not dissimilar nature was "Two Wilson," of pre-war days; but that hard-hearted Spartan was worshipped by the Fleet.

In the Navy all agree that "a smart ship is a happy ship." It has always been so. Naval men are well-disciplined and long suffering, but, as history shows, there is a breaking point. The "sea lawyer" and the "bad hat" get little sympathy, but injustice and undue harshness provoke intense resentment. The feeling between officers and men is extraordinarily good, and when trouble occurs the reason for it needs sifting. There is no ground for bewailing that "here is the beginning of Socialist interference with the Navy." Mr. ALEXANDER, the First Lord of the Admiralty, is one of the successives of the Socialist Government, and a man of excellent common sense. The decisions with regard to the Lucia have been come to by the Admiralty, and the Admiralty, and none of the Sea Lords has protested. We can rest assured that the interests of the officers concerned were adequately considered by the distinguished admirals who act as Mr. ALEXANDER's professional advisers.

★ News and Views ★

Isam Still Gwyn Strong.

One Isam Gwyn, a North Carolina negro, says he is 101 years old. He has been married seven times. He is the father of 40 children, the youngest being 14. At a recent family dinner a rib of beef, a whole hog, a score of chickens and bread from three barrels of flour were consumed. The aged man says he has never indulged in tobacco or strong drink.

New Chinese Gunboat.

The Ministry of the Navy Nanking, has placed an order with the Kiangnan Dockyard and Engineering Works for the construction of a new gunboat to be known as the Chienwei. Work will be started as soon as the necessary preparations have been completed. It will be recalled that two gunboats, named the Hsiao and Jenaheng were built by the Kiangnan Dock for the Ministry last year, and have since been commissioned for service in the Chinese Navy.

Fountains Hall and the Duke of York.

Rumour, which has been whispering that Fountains Hall, near Fountains Abbey, is to become a Royal residence, now declares that the residents are to be the Duke and Duchess of York. Fountains Hall is on the estate of Mr. Charles Vyner, whose wife, Lady Doris Vyner, has long been a close friend of the Duchess of York, and the Duke and Duchess have several times stayed with the Vyners at Studley Royal, which is near Fountains Hall. But the Duke and Duchess have so many London engagements that they would not be able to spend much uninterrupted time in Yorkshire, and the Duke could not get so much hunting there as he does from the winter house he has rented in the shires.

Lord Hardinge at 72.

How many Viceroys have visited India again after their retirement? How many men have bagged their fourth tiger at the age of seventy-two? Lord Hardinge of Penshurst has carried off both these records. Lord Hardinge is one of those men who convince one that vitality depends upon an inherited constitution rather than upon the accidents of health. His whole system seems to be a shock to the system of the world. He was severely wounded by a bomb at Delhi. And yet he can still shoot tigers in the Mysore jungle at the age of seventy-two. Nor is it that Lord Hardinge follows that scrupulous diet which is so often recommended. True it is that he very sparingly in the matter of wine and spirits. But he possesses the heartiest of appetites, and can consume the richest of French dishes without turning a hair.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

One case of diphtheria was notified from Kowloon on Thursday.

It is notified that quarantine restrictions have been imposed against arrivals from Bangkok on account of plague.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ended January 17, amounted to 126,768 tons, and the sales during the period to 78,405 tons.

Li Suk Fai, master of the Chi San piece goods firm, has reported that a *jak* whom he entrusted to collect \$500 has failed to return with the money.

Silk forwarded from here by R.M.S. Empress of Russia on the 7th inst. arrived in New York (St. John's Park) and Hoboken on the 28th inst., having been 21 days in transit.

The management of the Bank of Taiwan, Ltd., informs us that Mr. I Furuya has been transferred to the Shanghai Branch, and his authority to sign for the Hong Kong Office has now been revoked. In his place Mr. K. Yoshikawa is now authorised to sign *per pro* manager.

The Chief Officer of the R.M.S. Empress of Asia, which is lying at the Kowloon Docks, reported to the police that messenger boy Wooning, aged 10 years, fell down the fore peak hold on Thursday, from a height of about 40 feet. He was attended by the ship's doctor and later conveyed to the Kowloon Hospital.

Fifteen gold wrist watches, valued together at \$500, were recovered from a *jak* who was arrested by men, under the direction of Sergeant J. Murphy, at a raid at 214, Queen's Road, on Thursday, in the course of investigations into a recent robbery on the first floor of 292, Queen's Road. An alleged receiver has been arrested.

"Evans of the Broke."

A Change will shortly be announced in a popular command of the Royal Australian Navy that is present held by Rear-Admiral E. R. G. R. Evans, whose two years' service there have nearly completed. "Evans of the Broke," with his distinguished record in Antarctic exploration and Channel fighting with the Dover Patrol, has "gone down well" out there.

"Fecular People."

Dr. Arthur Torrance, an authority on tropical diseases, holds a theory that the human race originated in a dual-sex tribe. Believing that examples of this tribe are still to be found, he has left Los Angeles in an airplane for New York, whence he will set out on an expedition to Africa. He says that he has already encountered on a previous expedition some of "these peculiar people," who are supposed to live near Lake Tchad. He was unable to explore their country, as the members of his party were killed by a fierce desert tribe.

A Pinch of Snuff.

I am not impressed says a London "diarist" by a suggestion that the habit of snuff-taking is coming in again, for the reason that it never went out. True, we men do not hand each other jewelled snuff-boxes with the courtly air of the Comte d'Artois, finishing up the operation with a graceful flick of the handkerchief. But more men than is generally supposed conceal a less elaborate snuff-box in their waistcoat pocket. Barriers take snuff, so do doctors, sailors (and more than any other section of the community) printers. The large silver snuff-box that is by the cash-desk of nearly every London club needs constant refilling.

Imperial Opera League.

The trustees of the Imperial League of Opera are, it is reported, to apply for the winding-up of the Trust. The League has had much discussion, many excellent speeches, (for Sir Thomas Beecham is one of the wittiest of speakers), propaganda work, enthusiastic subscribers, and has even run its own newspaper. It has, in fact, done everything in connection with opera—except to produce it. Sir Thomas Beecham knows more about the inside working of opera than anybody else, and his conducting, that is axiomatic—is brilliant. But the only hope for establishing in some sort of permanent opera in Britain, subsidy or no subsidy, lies in the amalgamation of existing forces.

Old American naval men are staggered by the swiftness of the State Department in handling the diplomatic incident for which the United States has had to apologise to Signor Mussolini. [Page 9.]

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

Local.

The British Economic Mission arrived yesterday. [Page 7.]

An amah employed by Mrs. Somerset Fitzroy was convicted of theft yesterday and sentenced to six weeks' hard labour. [Page 7.]

Judgment in favour of the plaintiff was given at the Summary Court in a claim for commission brought against the China Neonlite Company. [Page 7.]

Hong Kong Land Investment Co.'s dividend. [Page 11.]

Wireless programme for to-day and to-morrow. [Page 3.]

H.K.V.D.C. orders for the coming week. [Page 4.]

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Sport.

Week-end sport fixtures. [Page 10.]

Golf times at Fanling to-morrow. [Page 10.]

Jock Crichton and Harry Ewin have been matched for a middle-weight fight on February 7. [Page 10.]

The reinstatement of two Chinese footballers is likely to follow the receipt of a letter from the English Football Association. [Page 10.]

Playing in the Shamene Football League H.M.S. Tarantula bent the Cicala by 4 goals to 2. [Page 10.]

Home football fixtures. [Page 11.]

Latest Cables.

The French Ministry has made a declaration regarding the limitation of armaments. [Page 9.]

Three British women tourists have been killed while climbing the Aletsch Glacier. [Page 9.]

Sir Trevor Bigham has been appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police. [Page 9.]

Russian citizens domiciled in China are liable to arrest and prosecution for belief in the tenets of Communism. [Page 9.]

Chicago is reported to be in monetary difficulties, and the payment of city employees' salaries is impossible. [Page 9.]

American shipping interests have approached the Ministry of Communications with a proposal to form a Sino-American Shipping Company. [Page 9.]

It is estimated that as a result of an explosion in the Haig pit, Cumberland, the missing and dead total 20, and 13 were conveyed to hospital. [Page 9.]

Mr. W. G. Brophy, who is engaged on a flight from Shanghai to Canton and thence to Manila, has arrived at Foochow, where he described the accident that compelled a forced landing at Dionghong last Monday. [Page 9.]

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Looking Back 25 Years.

At a meeting of the seaholders and church body of St. John's Cathedral, held at the City Hall on Monday afternoon, the retiring body, which comprised His Lordship the Bishop of Victoria, the Senior Chaplain (the Rev. F. T. Johnson), Hon. Clerk L. A. W. Barnes, Lawrence, Mr. W. Armstrong, Mr. H. W. Slade, Hon. Dr. E. W. Clark, Mr. A. Boyer, Hon. Secretary and Mr. J. Whittall, Hon. Treasurer, was re-elected, and Mr. J. C. Peter was re-appointed auditor. Mr. Whittall, Hon. Treasurer, stated that the year closed with a balance of \$450 less than last year, but in view of the necessary special expenditure, this could not be considered other than satisfactory.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, January 31, 1930.

Looking Back 50 Years.

Upwards of one hundred and fifty summonses were issued yesterday against Chinese for breaches of the privilege granted by the police in the matter of firing crackers. A fair time allowance was accorded them to indulge in the native style of celebrating the advent of the new year, but our Celestial fellow residents annually overstep these nominal lines imposed by the Magistrates for the sake of "old custom," and the pleasure afforded, real or fancied, by the discharge of orthodox crackers.—*Hong Kong Daily Press*, January 31, 1881.

SINO-AMERICAN SHIPPING PLAN.**PROPOSAL TO COMMUNICATIONS MINISTRY.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, Jan. 30. It is reported that American shipping concerns have approached the Communications Ministry with a proposal to form a Sino-American Shipping Company, the American owners to furnish the steamers and hoist the Chinese flag and operate the services of the present or new routes, according to the decision of the Government.

The Ministry is reported to be willing to negotiate with the stipulation that China's sovereignty will be respected and the Government's shipping regulations observed.

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

NANKING, Jan. 30. According to an official report, a number of American shipping interests are proposing to the Nanking Government a scheme for developing commercial shipping in China inland and coastal waters.

They express their willingness to co-operate with the Chinese Government in starting this enterprise.

One of the proposed conditions is that they may supply steamships, while the fixation of navigable lines and the arrangement for the development of shipping business should be in the hands of the Chinese Government.

It is also learned that the Chinese Government has agreed to this proposal in principle, but it insists on the point that China's jurisdiction in this line be kept intact and that the Chinese mercantile navigation regulations remain inviolate.

DR. C. T. WANG**"INDISPOSED."**

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

NANKING, Jan. 30. Dr. C. T. Wang, the Nanking Foreign Minister, has been granted leave of absence for a week on the ground of illness.

This gives rise to a rumour in political circles that Dr. Wang is disappointed, and that this might be a prelude to his resignation, but this is vigorously denied by a responsible spokesman of the Foreign Ministry.

INTERNATIONAL GOLD LOAN TO CHINA.**LEAGUE OF NATIONS' DELEGATE AT NANKING.**

(Wah Tsz Yat Pao.)

NANKING, Jan. 30. A special delegate of the League of Nations proceeded to Nanking from Shanghai yesterday. It will be remembered that his present visit to China on behalf of (Continued on next column.)

SHANGHAI-CANTON-MANILA FLIGHT.**HEAVY SLEET AND SNOW CAUSE FORCED LANDING.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FOOCHOW, Jan. 30. Mr. Brophy returned to Fochow with the British Consul this afternoon.

He reports that shortly after leaving on Monday he climbed 14,000 feet, heavy sleet and snow forming on the wings, which caused the plane to fall about 8,000 feet.

Owing to the weight the plane was forced to land on a sand beach, which bent the steel propeller. The propeller was taken to Mamoi, where it is being straightened by the Navy Department.

If the repairs are successful Mr. Brophy will proceed to Canton within a few days, otherwise he will proceed to Hong Kong and fly to Manila in another "Waco" plane stored there.

The Chinese Navy is giving every assistance. At present and during the last few days the weather has been very unfavourable.

HEROIN-EXTRACTION PLANT AT TIENTSIN.**DISCOVERY BY BRITISH MUNICIPAL POLICE.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, Jan. 30. Sir Malcolm Delevingne, the British delegate to the Opium Committee, today rebutted the insinuation of the National Anti-Opium Association of China regarding a house in the British Concession at Tientsin, which contained the necessary plant for the extraction of heroin from floor polish sent from France.

The British delegate emphasized that the discovery of the plant was made by the British Municipal Police, while the Chinese Maritime Customs was responsible for admitting the materials. Mr. Woo Kai Seng (China) said he fully appreciated that prompt and effective action was taken by the British authorities.

He added, however, that the existence of foreign concessions in China led to delays and difficulties in coping with the illicit traffic in drugs.

Mr. Lyall, the chairman of the Opium Board, laid stress on the unsatisfactory state of the law in China as regards procedure and the penalties for participation in the illicit traffic.

the League of Nations is in connection with a proposed international gold loan of £10,000,000 for the purpose of monetary reform in China. Since his arrival at Shanghai, the delegate has frequently conferred with Chinese financial authorities, and his present visit to Nanking is indicative of the fact that substantial result has been obtained in regard to this matter.

IS CHICAGO INSOLVENT?**CITY AGAIN FACING MONETARY CRISIS.**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

CHICAGO, Jan. 30. While denying the reports that Chicago is in serious monetary difficulties, the officials admit that the municipality is again facing a financial crisis, rendering the payment of city employees' salaries impossible.

Matters are expected to come to a head on February 9, when the tax anticipation warrants are offered for sale.

The Strawn Committee, which last year came to the rescue by raising \$74,000,000, now declares that the banking interests will not support tax anticipation loans unless the system of tax collection is simplified.

LANCASHIRE COTTON DISPUTE.**TENTATIVE SUGGESTIONS BY GOVERNMENT.**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, Jan. 30. The Prime Minister with other Ministers yesterday saw the representatives of both sides in the disputes in the cotton industry on "more looms per weaver."

To-day Mr. Ramsay MacDonald will meet a delegation of four from each side together, and the discussions will be continued in the hope of breaking the present deadlock.

It is understood that the Government have made tentative suggestions, including a proposal that the more looms per weaver scheme should be tried for a further experimental period.

No immediate result is expected from to-day's "conversations."

EXPLOSION IN CUMBERLAND COAL MINE.**TWENTY MINERS REPORTED MISSING.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 30. Between 40 and 50 miners are estimated to be missing as the result of an explosion in the Haig Pit at Whitehaven, Cumberland.

Every effort is being made to effect rescues, but it is feared that many of those below ground must have lost their lives.

LATER.

Up to the present eight bodies have been recovered from the Haig pit.

Three have been rescued, but two of them are in a serious condition, having been badly gassed.

A score of men, at least, are still missing.

LATER.

It is now estimated that the dead and missing in the pit disaster total 20.

Thirteen have been conveyed to hospital suffering from burns and being gassed.

"The Pit of Death."

LONDON, Jan. 30. Two hundred miners were working in the Haig pit, Whitehaven, at the time of the explosion, which occurred as the night-shift were preparing to descend the workings which were wrecked.

The rescuers had to fight after-damp, also gas which spread to the adjacent Wellington pit.

Pathetic scenes were witnessed throughout the night, women waiting for news of collapsing as the bodies were brought up.

The Haig pit, which runs two miles under the sea, is described as the "Pit of Death" on account of the number of disasters in the past.

Accounting for 30 lives in eight years, while 136 were killed in an explosion in the Wellington pit in 1910.

The Prince of Wales visited the Whitehaven mines three years ago and explored the undersea workings.

SOVIET CITIZENS IN CHINA.**BELIEF IN COMMUNIST TENETS AN OFFENCE.**

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, Jan. 30.

All citizens of the Soviet who are domiciled in China are liable to arrest and prosecution for belief in the tenets of Communism by virtue of the Chinese law rendering counter-revolutionary activity illegal.

Soviet citizens, however, will not be arrested unless the police secure information showing that they are actively engaged in Communist propaganda.

REHABILITATION OF SILVER PLANS.**BRITISH CHANCELLOR OF EXCHEQUER'S OPINION.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 30.

In the House of Commons at question-time, Mr. Philip Snowden, (Chancellor of Exchequer) said he was not aware that any practicable proposals for the rehabilitation of silver had hitherto been suggested.

He was not of the opinion that any useful purpose would be served in approaching the French and United States Governments with a view to taking joint action with this end in mind.

H.K. TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.**THE FINAL DIVIDEND.**

Making a total of 30 cents per share for the year 1930 the Directors of the Hong Kong Tramways, Limited, will recommend a final dividend of 40 cents per share at the date of the forthcoming ordinary yearly general meeting of the Company shortly to be announced.

WOOSUNG PIRATE ATROCITY.**HOSTAGES HANGED TO MAST-HEAD.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, Jan. 30.

The Chinese papers this morning report that junk pirates, in the Woosung area on Tuesday, when pursued by an attacking force, poured hot oil into the ears of five boat people whom they had carried off for ransom and then hanged them to the mast-head.

It is reported that two Chinese steamship companies plying between Shanghai and Ningpo are employing from February 1 to anti-piracy guards for each of their vessels.

CANADA AND UNITED STATES.**SOVIET COMPETITION MAY CREATE ZOLLVEREIN.**

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

OTTAWA, Jan. 30.

The Prime Minister, Mr. R. B. Bennett, accompanied by Mr. Macleider, the United States Minister to Canada, has left for Washington to confer with President Hoover on, *inter alia*, the development of deep waterways on the St. Lawrence River route and the undue restrictions on crossing and re-crossing the boundary by Canada and America.

Mr. Bennett may also suggest an America-Canadian economic zollverein in order to meet the threat of Russian competition, particularly in agricultural products, timber, wood-pulp and coal.

LIMITATION OF ARMAMENTS.**DECLARATION BY FRENCH MINISTRY.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, Jan. 30.

A Ministerial declaration read in Parliament says the new Government will devote itself methodically and patiently to the organisation of peace in the world with the collaboration of all nations sincerely animated with the same intention and all Governments which respect fidelity to treaties: It will do its best to secure the success of the vast collective effort directed towards the co-ordination of European forces, and it is determined to continue its policy of national defence which guarantees the security and independence of the country, while desirous of realising in agreement with other nations a rational and equitable limitation of armaments.

WORLD DISARMAMENT.**DEBATE IN HOUSE OF LORDS.**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, Jan. 30.

In the House of Lords, Lord Dickinson opened a debate on International Disarmament and referred to the Conference which the Council of the League of Nations had decided should meet in February next year.

Viscount Cecil said that while international competition in armaments went on peace could not be regarded as secure. The question was whether disarmament was possible. He believed, it was, and there was a really good chance of its being brought about.

Lord Bridgeman (Conservative) said Britain alone of the European countries had made an enormous reduction in naval strength which could only be justified if they were met by corresponding reductions by other Powers. We must all hope for the success of the Conference next year. He hoped the Government would be able to give some comforting assurance that other Powers did propose to reduce, but figures of their expenditure seemed rather to indicate that they were increasing their armaments.

Lord Parmoor, replying for the Government, said he endorsed Lord Cecil's statement. The risk of nations falling again into a condition of progressive armament rivalry which caused the Great War must by all means be avoided. That meant disarmament.

The Conference next year, said Lord Parmoor, must fill in the actual figures in the skeleton scheme of the League's Preparatory Commission. Without being an alarmist, he could not help feeling that delay meant risk and might bring great difficulties. He paid a tribute to the work of Lord Cecil over many years in the cause of international disarmament.

BRITISH DEBT TO AMERICA.**ANNUITY PERCENTAGE EXTREMELY HIGH.**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, Jan. 30.

Replying in the House of Commons to questions, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, said the annuity payable to the United States Government this financial year under the debt-funding agreement represents 3.6 per cent. of the capital outstanding at the beginning of the financial year.

The corresponding figures in the case of the French and Italian debt settlements with the United States, are approximately one per cent. and 0.7 per cent., respectively.

BRITAIN AND THE DEATH PENALTY.**GOVERNMENT TO TAKE NO ACTION.**

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUOBY, Jan. 30.

In the House of Commons, the Home Secretary, Mr. J. R. Clynes, stated that the Government did not propose to take any action on the recent report of the Select Committee on Capital Punishment. The report recommended the abolition of the death penalty for an experimental period of five years.

BRITISH WOMEN KILLED ON ALPS.**FAILED TO CLIMB ALETSCHE GLACIER.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BERNE, Jan. 30.

Three British women tourists, Mrs. L. C. Furnival, Miss Furnival and Mrs. Galway, and one guide were killed in an expedition from Jungfraujoch for the Aletsch Glacier.

They have been missing since Friday.

A rescue party is returning to Adelboden with three survivors, Mr. L. C. Furnival, Miss Lees and Mrs. Stead.

LONDON METROPOLITAN POLICE.**DEPUTY COMMISSIONER APPOINTED.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 30.

Sir Trevor Bigham has been appointed Deputy Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police in succession to the late Sir Charles Roys. Mr. Norman Kendall succeeds Sir Trevor Bigham as Senior Assistant Commissioner.

PRINCESS BEATRICE.**TEMPORARY ATTACKS OF HEART WEAKNESS.**

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 30.

A bulletin issued from Kensington Palace this afternoon states that Princess Beatrice, the aunt of the King, who is suffering from acute bronchitis and shock from a broken arm, has been subject to temporary attacks of heart weakness.

Her Royal Highness' condition must be regarded as less satisfactory.

LATER. The Queen of Spain, the only daughter of Princess Beatrice, has arrived in London in response to a summons to her mother's bedside.

The Queen arrived at the Palace at seven o'clock this evening, and a bulletin issued later stated that her presence had been a helpful factor in a slight improvement in the condition of Princess Beatrice.

There has been no heart attack, the bulletin adds, since noon today, but some anxiety must necessarily continue for the present.

Princess Beatrice is 73 years of age and a severe illness must be dangerous.

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Sports News

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

BIG ATTRACTION FOR THE AFTERNOON.

LAI WAH CUP FINAL.

There will be no First Division League football games this afternoon owing to the final of the Lai Wah Cup Competition, which should prove a great draw, as the Chinese and the Chinese are to decide the destiny of the trophy, which will be presented to the winners by Mrs. Kotewall.

The match will be played on the Club ground, commencing at 3.30 p.m., Sgt. Caswell, R.A., being the referee, with P.O. Ford and P.O. Wright as linesmen. An interesting and fast game should result with the Chinese making a great effort to carry away the trophy which they have won four times.

The Chinese have already had some useful practice, for many of their representatives have been playing together in interport games. On the other hand the Chinese team is drawn from the Athletic and South China, and have not had the advantage of playing as a team, but the best players available have been selected and no doubt they will give a good account of themselves.

The Cup Teams.

The following are the teams of the Chinese, who will have a large number of reserves from the two Clubs to call upon if necessary, and the Chinese:

Chinese:—Pau Ka Ping South China; Li Tin Sang (South China); Tam Kong Pak (South China); Ho Cho Yin (Athletic); Wong Shui Wa (Athletic); Lam Yik Ying (Athletic); Li Hung Ching (Athletic); Li Wai Koon (Athletic); Hung King Cheung (South China); Sun Kam Shun (Athletic); Ip Pak Wa (South China).

Civilians:—Clarke (Police); Strange (Club); Bishop (Club); Hedley (Kowloon); Oram (Police); Dunoon (Club); B. Gosano (Recreio); Segalen (Club); A. Gosano (Recreio); Rocha (Recreio); Pile (Kowloon).

Interest in the Cup match will eclipse those of the junior League games, of which there is a fairly comprehensive programme. The Hongkong second team is due to meet the Artillery at Sookunpo, and the former may be expected to take the points. Eastern should be favourites in the match between them and St. Joseph's inside the racetrack. The Navy should also go strongly after the points in their meeting with the Club Reserves.

The following is the full programme for the afternoon:

Lai Wah Cup Final.

Civilians v. Chinese, Club ground, 3.30 p.m. Referee: Sgt. Caswell, R.A.

Division II.

(Kick-off at 2.30 p.m.)
Navy v. H.K.F.C., Navy ground, H.V. Referee: Mr. J. W. Baldwin.
Eastern v. St. Joseph's, Athletic ground, H.V. Referee: Q. M. S. Scott, R.E.
S. W. Borderers v. R.A. Sookunpo, Referee: P. O. Gregory.
Athletic v. Kowloon, Stadium, Referee: Mr. Brown.
Recreio v. University, King's Park, Referee: Mr. J. Lawrence.

(Kick-off at 4 p.m.)

Azyl's v. South China, Chatham Road, Referee: Mr. T. G. Stokes.
Division III.
(Kick-off at 2.30 p.m.)
H.E. v. R.A.S.C., Chatham Road, Referee: S.E.P.O. Ford.
South China v. Ewo, Caroline Hill, Referee: Shipwright Gulf.

Kick-off at 4 p.m.

R.A.F. v. H.A.O.C., King's Park, St. Easton.
Athletic v. S. W. Borderers, Athletic ground, H.V. Referee: Tol. Noakes.
Probable Teams.

The following will represent the Club Reserves:—Fogwill, Stoker and Potouloff; Sloan, Panchon and Hythes; Alexander, Ball, Strange, Jackson and Smith. Referee: Hooper.

Kowloon Reserves against the Athletic will be:—Angus, Gillet and Everett; H. Brown, Gilchrist and Smith; White, A. B. Clement, Spary, Whiting and Bickford. Referee: Cotton, Kerr, East.

INTERPORT TEAM.

SELECTION AFTER THIRD TRIAL GAME.

Hong Kong's Interport football team to oppose Shanghai in the (Continued on next column.)

WEEK-END SPORTS FIXTURES.

MATCHES AND PLAYERS AT A GLANCE.

The following fixtures are down for day and to-morrow:

CRICKET.

League: Division I.

Kowloon v. Navy.
Craigengower v. University.

Division II.

Recreio v. Kowloon.
C.S.C.C. v. Engineers.
Police v. Signals.
Married v. Singles (Club ground).

Freely.

Married:—T. E. Pearce, G. R. Sayer, E. B. Reid, N. A. Thorn, E. J. R. Mitchell, E. R. Duckett, R. H. Wild, H. J. Armstrong, J. H. Hiley, E. C. Etherington, J. H. Way and S. J. Stanesby.

Single:—A. Reid, R. M. Airey, K. H. Batger, O. E. C. Marton, R. H. Griffith, W. Riggs, H. F. Green, R. K. Hepburn, J. D. A. Hutchison, C. A. Wright, C. E. Gahagan and J. MacFarlane.

Sunday.

K.C.C. v. Volunteers (all day).

HOCKEY.

Ladies' Oser Clark Cup Competition.

H.K.L.H.C. v. D.G.S.
St. Andrew's v. Recreio.
The Ladies' Hockey Club team for their match, which takes place at King's Park, bully-off, 3 p.m., will be:

J. Smalley; E. Gray, B. V. Franklin; E. O'Hagan, E. Bonnar, M. L. Wallace; E. R. Bell, N. McNeillie, E. M. Donelan, C. M. Ferguson and M. Bishop.
Y.M.C.A. "A" v. H.M.S. Tamar.
The "Y" team will be:—Harrison; Purvis, Tiplie; Mitchell, Allen, Dormer; Tate, Smith, Dr. Ashton, Brown, Bates.

GOLF.

Semi-finals of Governor's Shield.
Completion of Second Round, H.K.G.C. (Sunday).
First Round, Captain's Cup, K.G.C. (Sunday).

HUNTING.

Fanling Hunt Hounds (Sun Wai Camp).
Fanling Hunt Paper Hunt (Potts' Bungalow), 3.15 p.m., Sunday.

SHAMEEN FOOTBALL LEAGUE.

"TARANTULA" HEADS THE TABLE.

Playing in the Shameen football league on Wednesday, H.M.S. Tarantula defeated H.M.S. Cicala by four goals to two. The former were pressing right from the start and Allen was the first to score for them, his hard drive giving the goalie no chance whatever. Then following a scrimmage outside the Tarantula's goal, the Cicala were awarded a penalty, and taking the resultant kick, Donney equalised for the Cicala. This success was short-lived for a little later Cannon scored to put the "T's" ahead.

In the second half, the Tarantula played much better and added further goals through Mannering and Cannon. The Cicala were lucky to get their second goal which deflected off a Tarantula player's foot into the net.

The teams were:—
Tarantula: Bagshaw; Perkins, Leeds; Evans, Webb, Talbot; Lieut. Cobb, Cannon, Mannering, Allen, Tubb.
Cicala: Stacey; Pinder, Hicks, Rees, Donney, Rudling; Lieut. Comm. Havers, Sparling, Render, Williams, McKisack.

The present standing of the teams is:—

Team	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
Tarantula	9	5	2	2	19	12	19
Moth	8	4	2	2	15	15	10
Moorthen	7	4	1	2	12	9	9
Seamew	6	2	3	1	12	7	7
Cicala	7	2	0	5	8	13	4
Shameen S.O.B.	1	2	0	13	23	4	

match fixed for February 18 will be selected after the third trial game next week. The Interport and other matches with the visitors will all be played on the Club ground. Happy Valley, and an advertisement elsewhere gives the dates and booking arrangements.

The third trial game, fixed for Tuesday, kick-off at 4.30 p.m., on the Club ground is against the Navy. The following will be the Probables:—Clarke; Li Tin Sang, Bishop (Captain); Hedley, Eynon, Yooman; B. Gosano, Segalen, A. V. Gosano; Fung Kik Cheung, Ip Pak Wa.
Reserves:—Sun Kam Shun, Lam Yuk Ying, Strange, A. Duncan, Blackburn.

THE ORIENT'S BEST.

CRICHTON AND EWIN TO MEET IN LOCAL RING.

BRITISH LAD'S VICTORY IN MANILA DESCRIBED.

[By "WELTER."]—

In an advertisement appearing in this issue, it is announced that "Jock" Crichton, the holder of the welter and middle weights' titles in the Colony, has been booked to meet Seaman Harry Ewin, of H.M.S. Kent, for the middleweight championship of the Colony at the City Hall on Saturday, February 7.

Neither of the men need any introduction here, but as a matter of interest it might be mentioned that Crichton was seen in the local ring last month when he beat A.B. Begbie in a fifteen-round scrap for the welterweight championship on points. Since then he has added to his long list of victories by beating Seaman Morris in Shanghai, so that it might be said that he is now the champion of China.

While Crichton has been making a reputation for himself, Ewin has not been exactly idle, for only as recently as last Saturday he gave the fight-fans in Manila an eye-opener when he knocked-out Carlos Logan, hitherto hailed as the "uncrowned king of middleweights in the Orient," in the eighth round. It was a great victory, the most gratifying feature of which was perhaps the big lift it gave to British prestige in the Manila sport world.

The Orient's Best.

The meeting of these two scrap-pers, then, may well be described as a battle between the two best men of the middleweight class in the Orient.

The fight should prove to be one of the best seen here for many a long day, and despite the fact that there are hundreds who are of the opinion that "Jock" will win, personally I think the sailor boy will just get home on points. In any case a great scrap is promised, and as the prices for admission are on the same old reasonable scale, a capacity house is promised.

The Manila Scrap.

As a matter of interest, we give below a description of the Logan-Ewin fight, which appeared in the Manila Tribune:—

Carlos Logan, who has long known the feeling that comes when one's opponent crumples before one following the impact of fist to jaw, realized what the other side felt like, when Seaman Harry Ewin, British Imperial Services champion middleweight, crumpled him up in the eighth round of the main event at the Stadium.

The end came suddenly for most fans in the Stadium, except the few who realized that Logan was tiring rapidly toward the close of the fifth frame. Ewin, from the fourth round on, was pounding away at the midsection, and it was this that weakened Carlos to a point where the old fire and dash of his attack were decidedly lacking. Towards the middle of the eighth Logan was busy protecting the commissary department, when Ewin, starting a short hook rather high, brought him down with a crash to the solar plexus. Logan collapsed and stayed there in a sitting position, while Referee Archie Lee tolled the fatal ten.

The boys were evenly matched as to weight, scaling at 154 apiece. Logan had a distinct shade in reach and height, and for the first round or so it looked as if this would be the deciding factor. Logan's furious rushes had the Briton backslapping, and when a right hook glanced along his head and cut his left eye open, the fans settled back in anticipation of a speedy end.

The first round was indeed the second, which was even, showed something of Ewin's skill and ring generalship. Logan took the aggressive, but his rushes found him tied in a knot by Ewin's masterly elbow work. Ewin was boxing carefully and protecting himself.

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SOCCER DISPUTE.

FAVOURABLE REPLY FROM HOME ASSOCIATION.

SUSPENSIONS LIKELY TO BE WITHDRAWN.

We have received a letter from a correspondent in regard to the two Chinese football players who were suspended from amateur football by the local Association, asking whether the decision of the Shanghai Association will be followed here. In asking for information on this point, the writer suggests "that it would be a friendly gesture if the Hong Kong Football Association would, until a definite decision is reached, permit the players concerned to play in the Lai Wah Cup final on Saturday."

Since the receipt of this letter, an official notification has been made by the Association in the matter. It was gathered, unofficially, that our correspondent's suggestion is not practicable, since the matter has to be discussed at a meeting, which has now been fixed for next week.

Shanghai's Decision.

In disposing of the protracted controversy so far as the offending players under their own jurisdiction are concerned, the Shanghai Football Association warned all concerned and made it clear to them what procedure should be followed in future. In giving their decision, the Executive Committee stated that the players who proceeded on the tour contravened the laws of the Shanghai Football Association, in not first obtaining permission, and that such contravention was probably due more to ignorance of those laws than to any deliberate attempt to flout them; that the manager of the tour was also a party to the contravention; that the corresponding manager who was left behind in Shanghai was also a party to the contravention; that the representative of the tour who was in England was also a party to the contravention; that the players concerned, probably through ignorance, undoubtedly violated the rules of the English Football Association regarding amateurs; and that the manager of the tour was a party to that contravention.

Letter From Home.

We were informed by Mr. W. E. Hollands, Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Football Association, that a communication was received by yesterday's mail from the English Football Association in reply to the suggestion to be allowed to make a new rule by which the two suspended players (Chan Kwong Lu and Tso Kwai Sing) may be reinstated as amateurs.

A meeting of the Emergency Committee has been fixed for next Tuesday afternoon after the Interport trial game when the matter will be discussed. It is understood that the communication from the Home Association is favourable to the claim of the two suspended players for reinstatement.

That Short Right.

The Briton started in the third scoring repeatedly with stiff lefts to the midriff. He was not much concerned, if at all, over Logan's reputedly terrific right, and failed in time and again to beat a tattoo on the Spaniard's ribs. The third and fourth went to him by slight margins, his clever defensive work and the telling blows he landed to the body counting in his favour.

The fifth saw him get into action in earnest, and from this point on it was Logan who was doing the retreating. The clouts to the luncheon basket were telling, and telling heavily.

Logan fought his best, but the British star's skill and those ferocious drives to the stomach and the heart took all the heart out of him. Once, in the seventh, Logan succeeded in crashing his right flush to Ewin's jaw. He might as well have hit him with a feather duster, for all the effect it had.

The sixth saw him get into action in earnest, and from this point on it was Logan who was doing the retreating. The clouts to the luncheon basket were telling, and telling heavily.



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GOLF.

ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB.

STARTING TIMES FOR TOMORROW.

8.50 a.m.	C. H. M. Andrew and A. J. H. Wolff.	10.04	G. A. Leiper and J. H. Ashworth.	11.32	O. E. C. Marton and L. R. Andrews.
9.00	J. S. MacLaren and J. Smith.	10.09	T. S. Marshall and G. Walsh.	11.36	A. Ritchie and C. H. Burton.
9.08	C. B. Riggs and G. B. S. Thomson.	10.12	W. Kerr and W. S. Hillier.	11.40	D. J. Keogh and J. Jones.
9.16	Not to be booked.	10.16	R. M. Henderson and J. M. Walker.	11.44	A. C. Meredith and G. S. Hankinson.
9.20	K. S. Robertson and T. Grant.	10.20	C. B. Brown and R. W. Taplin.	11.48	A. Leach and N. K. Littlejohn.
9.24	E. Nash and J. E. Richardson.	10.24	C. P. Ross and J. B. Lanyon.	11.52	A. O. Brown and H. Shabala.
9.28	L. G. S. Dodwell and J. H. Raikes.	10.28	I. Allison and W. Mulcaby.	11.56	H. Lowe and L. Yates.
9.32	O. E. Holmes and S. J. H. Fox.	10.32	A. H. Pann and J. R. Collis.	12.00 noon	O. Eager and W. R. Vallance.
9.36	A. C. I. Bowker and M. G. Mills.	10.36	E. H. Williams and S. C. Foltham.	12.04 p.m.	C. M. Gee and L. H. Ruffin.
9.40	R. K. Valentine and W. J. Clerk.	10.40	J. R. Mattson and J. D. H. Crawford.	12.08	H. H. Forsyth and E. M. Bryden.
9.44	A. D. Humphreys and C. B. Jackson.	10.44	W. D. Harris and H. P. Bailey.	12.12	J. K. MacFarlane and R. E. Lindsell.
9.48	J. P. Warren and D. F. O. Cleland.	10.48	Dr. Nicholson and T. S. Morrison.	12.16	H. O. Gould and A. H. Musson.
9.52	J. W. Alabaster and D. Lyon.	10.52	V. J. Atkins and P. H. Suckling.	12.20	J. G. Campbell and J. Forbes.
9.56	H. A. Stuart and W. C. Clark.	10.56	T. S. Whyte-Smith and D. J. Gilmore.	12.24	H. Stock and J. Hight.
10.00	H. E. Atwell and K. P. White.	11.00	D. S. Robb and B. D. Evans.	12.28	H. Spicer and R. M. R. M. Chibbet.
		11.04	W. W. Mackenzie and A. C. Ellis.	12.32	W. J. Riddiford and F. Byke.
		11.08	L. J. Blackburn and A. G. Coppin.	12.36	J. Dovey and J. S. Dykes.
		11.12	C. W. Jeffreys and J. Campbell.	12.40	T. Low and D. S. Edwards.
		11.16	H. A. Campbell and F. J. Hamilton.	12.44	G. C. Johnson and R. L. S. Webb.
		11.20	B. P. Fletcher and G. T. May.	12.48	K. Hepburn.
		11.24	H. U. Ireland and A. B. Purves.	12.52	D. M. Goodall and W. N. Smalley.
		11.28	E. Stone and J. P. Sherry.	12.56	D. Forbes and R. Young.
				1.00 p.m.	N. Croucher and E. des Vaux.

HOME FOOTBALL.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE GAMES POSTPONED.

CUP MATCHES TO-DAY.

There are no matches in the Scottish League to-day owing to the teams being engaged in the Second Round of the Scottish Cup competition. The following are the matches:

Dundee U.	v.	Celtic.
Motherwell	v.	Ayr.
Glasgow	v.	St. Mirren.
Third Lanark	v.	Airdrie.
Bo'ness	v.	Alloa.
Rangers	v.	Dundee.
Monroese	v.	Civil Service.
Cowdenbeath	v.	St. Johnstone.
Inverness C.	v.	Falkirk.
Arbroath	v.	Edinburgh C.
Hamilton	v.	Hibernians.
Kilmarnock	v.	Heart.
King's Park	v.	St. Bernard's.
Aberdeen	v.	Partick.
Queen's Park	v.	Morton.

The English League programme is as under:

Division I.	
Arsenal	v. Birmingham.
Aston Villa	v. Middlesbrough.
Blackburn	v. Leicester.
Blackpool	v. Sunderland.
Chelsea	v. Liverpool.
Grimsby	v. Manchester U.
Huddersfield	v. Leeds.
Manchester C.	v. Bolton.
Newcastle	v. Sheffield U.
Preston	v. West Ham.
Wednesday	v. West Ham.

Division II.	
Bradford	v. Burnley.
Bristol C.	v. Barnsley.
Bury	v. Port Vale.
Cardiff	v. Charlton.
Everton	v. Bradford C.
Millwall	v. Tottenham.
Oldham	v. Notts Forest.
Plymouth	v. West Brom.
Reading	v. Swansea.
Stoke	v. Preston N.E.
Wolves	v. Southampton.

Division III. (Southern).	
Brentford	v. Exeter.
Clapton O.	v. Gillingham.
Luton	v. Bristol R.
Northampton	v. Brighton.
Norwich	v. Fulham.
Notts C.	v. Watford.
Queen's P.R.	v. Coventry.
Southend	v. Newport.
Thames	v. Swindon.
Torquay	v. Walsall.

Division III. (Northern).	
Carlisle	v. Rochdale.
Chesterfield	v. Barrow.
Darlington	v. New Brighton.
Hartlepool	v. Doncaster.
Lincoln	v. Hull.
Nelson	v. Stockport.
Rotherham	v. Southport.
Tynemouth	v. Crewe.
Wigan	v. Gateshead.
Wrexham	v. Halifax.
York	v. Accrington.

LEAGUE RESULTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 29.
Playing in the Second Division of the English League, Preston N.E., on their own ground, drew with Bradford, the score being one goal each.

In the Northern Section a win was secured by Barrow over Crewe by 2 goals to nil.

Division II.

P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Everton	26	19	4	3	83	40
West Brom.	23	15	5	8	86	32
Wolves	25	18	0	9	89	32
Tottenham	26	18	2	8	83	34
Preston N.E.	27	12	5	8	81	40
Port Vale	23	13	3	10	51	46
Burnley	23	12	5	8	53	31
Bury	23	13	3	10	57	50
S'hampton	26	11	0	9	43	37
Oldham	26	10	4	12	37	47
Stoke	23	9	0	10	37	47
Bradford	27	13	6	9	66	41
Swansea	26	9	5	12	39	49
Bradford C.	25	8	0	11	34	43
Charlton	26	8	0	12	36	56
Millwall	26	9	3	14	51	50
Notts. For.	26	8	6	12	47	59
Plymouth	26	8	4	14	44	50
Barnsley	25	7	6	12	29	45
Bristol C.	24	7	6	13	30	54
Cardiff	25	7	4	14	39	57
Reading	27	6	5	16	40	71

Division III. (Northern).

P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Lincoln	23	15	4	4	61	29
Tranmere	27	17	3	6	62	51
Chesterfield	27	16	5	6	61	37
Stockport	27	17	3	6	60	35
Hull	25	13	6	9	66	32
Wrexham	26	13	5	8	60	43
Wigan	26	14	2	10	50	53
Southport	25	13	3	9	60	43
Carlisle	25	13	3	10	58	29
Gateshead	24	9	0	7	33	35
Accrington	23	10	3	16	53	70
Rochdale	26	9	4	13	45	47
Barrow	28	10	4	14	41	63
Hartlepool	26	9	3	13	40	46
N. Brighton	27	8	5	14	29	59
Darlington	26	8	4	14	42	41
York	24	9	3	12	46	50
Doncaster	26	8	7	13	40	47
Crewe	26	0	1	15	40	59
Halifax	25	7	5	13	59	54
Nelson	26	4	5	17	29	63

LAND INVESTMENT COMPANY.

PROPOSED DIVIDENDS.

The forty-second report of the Board of Directors of the Hong Kong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd. to the general meeting of shareholders to be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., at 12.30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 10, states:

Directors: Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson (Chairman), Messrs. A. H. Compton, H. H. Priestley, A. H. White, J. E. Joseph, T. E. Pearce and Sir Robert Ho Tung.

The net profits for the year, after providing for all directors' and auditors' fees amount to \$1,485,205.87, which with the amount brought forward from last year \$894,160.88, gives an amount available for division of \$2,379,366.75.

From this amount an interim dividend of 82 per share on 240,000 shares (\$496,000) has already been paid, leaving a balance of \$1,883,366.75 available for appropriation, which it is proposed to deal with as follows:

To pay a final dividend of 82 per share on 240,000 old shares	\$ 480,000.00
To pay a dividend of 81 per share on 43,787 new shares	43,787.00
To pay a bonus to staff	10,000.00
To general contingency account	50,000.00
To special repairs and renewals account	6,278.27
To equalization of dividend fund	50,000.00
To rebuilding reserve account	400,000.00
To carry forward to a new profit and loss account	959,621.43
Total	\$1,999,556.75

Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. T. E. Pearce now retire by rotation, and being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. Percy Smith, Scott & Fleming and Messrs. Linstead & Davis, who now retire and offer themselves for re-election.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, Jan. 29.	
Paris	123.50/3
New York	4.88 19/32
Brussels	34.82 1/2
Geneva	25.11
Amsterdam	12.07 1/2
Milan	92.75 1/2
Berlin	20.43 1/2
Stockholm	18.14 1/2
Copenhagen	18.16
Oslo	18.16 1/2
Vienna	34.53 1/2
Prague	18 1/4
Helsingfors	193
Madrid	47.35
Lisbon	108.25
Athens	375
Bucharest	617
Rio	43/16
Buenos Aires	34 3/16
Montevideo	32 1/2
Bombay	1/5 1/2
Shanghai	1/3 1/2
Hong Kong	112
Yokohama	2/0 7/16
Silver (spot)	13 13/10
Silver (forward)	13 9/10

BOXING

CITY HALL

SATURDAY,
7th February, 1931,
at 9.15 p.m.

MAIN EVENT

15 Rounds Contest for
Middleweight Championship of
the Colony and Belt

Between

JOCK CRICHTON,
Walter and Middleweights Champion
of the Colony

and

A. B. EWIN,
H.M.S. "THRAOIAN,"
ex Middleweight Champion
of the Imperial Services.

Booking at Moutrie's:—
For members of the Hong Kong Boxing
Association, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20, 22, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 34, 36, 38, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, 50, 52, 54, 56, 58, 60, 62, 64, 66, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, 88, 90, 92, 94, 96, 98, 100, 102, 104, 106, 108, 110, 112, 114, 116, 118, 120, 122, 124, 126, 128, 130, 132, 134, 136, 138, 140, 142, 144, 146, 148, 150, 152, 154, 156, 158, 160, 162, 164, 166, 168, 170, 172, 174, 176, 178, 180, 182, 184, 186, 188, 190, 192, 194, 196, 198, 200, 202, 204, 206, 208, 210, 212, 214, 216, 218, 220, 222, 224, 226, 228, 230, 232, 234, 236, 238, 240, 242, 244, 246, 248, 250, 252, 254, 256, 258, 260, 262, 264, 266, 268, 270, 272, 274, 276, 278, 280, 282, 284, 286, 288, 290, 292, 294, 296, 298, 300, 302, 304, 306, 308, 310, 312, 314, 316, 318, 320, 322, 324, 326, 328, 330, 332, 334, 336, 338, 340, 342, 344, 346, 348, 350, 352, 354, 356, 358, 360, 362, 364, 366, 368, 370, 372, 374, 376, 378, 380, 382, 384, 386, 388, 390, 392, 394, 396, 398, 400, 402, 404, 406, 408, 410, 412, 414, 416, 418, 420, 422, 424, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 438, 440, 442, 444, 446, 448, 450, 452, 454, 456, 458, 460, 462, 464, 466, 468, 470, 472, 474, 476, 478, 480, 482, 484, 486, 488, 490, 492, 494, 496, 498, 500, 502, 504, 506, 508, 510, 512, 514, 516, 518, 520, 522, 524, 526, 528, 530, 532, 534, 536, 538, 540, 542, 544, 546, 548, 550, 552, 554, 556, 558, 560, 562, 564, 566, 568, 570, 572, 574, 576, 578, 580, 582, 584, 586, 588, 590, 592, 594, 596, 598, 600, 602, 604, 606, 608, 610, 612, 614, 616, 618, 620, 622, 624, 626, 628, 630, 632, 634, 636, 638, 640, 642, 644, 646, 648, 650, 652, 654, 656, 658, 660, 662, 664, 666, 668, 670, 672, 674, 676, 678, 680, 682, 684, 686, 688, 690, 692, 694, 696, 698, 700, 702, 704, 706, 708, 710, 712, 714, 716, 718, 720, 722, 724, 726, 728, 730, 732, 734, 736, 738, 740, 742, 744, 746, 748, 750, 752, 754, 756, 758, 760, 762, 764, 766, 768, 770, 772, 774, 776, 778, 780, 782, 784, 786, 788, 790, 792, 794, 796, 798, 800, 802, 804, 806, 808, 810, 812, 814, 816, 818, 820, 822, 824, 826, 828, 830, 832, 834, 836, 838, 840, 842, 844, 846, 848, 850, 852, 854, 856, 858, 860, 862, 864, 866, 868, 870, 872, 874, 876, 878, 880, 882, 884, 886, 888, 890, 892, 894, 896, 898, 900, 902, 904, 906, 908, 910, 912, 914, 916, 918, 920, 922, 924, 926, 928, 930, 932, 934, 936, 938, 940, 942, 944, 946, 948, 950, 952, 954, 956, 958, 960, 962, 964, 966, 968, 970, 972, 974, 976, 978, 980, 982, 984, 986, 988, 990, 992, 994, 996, 998, 1000.

General Public: FRIDAY, 6th, and
SATURDAY, 7th February.
PRICES: \$5.50, \$3.50 and \$1.10
Tax inclusive.

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RARE STAMPS OF LAST YEAR.

A SENSATION AND A SCANDAL.

THE KING'S £2,000 PURCHASE.

The philatelist's year is a very different period from the calendar year; it contains but eleven months, and begins mildly in September and ends wistfully in July.

The year 1930 began with a surprise, for on January 1 there came from France a blue and red 50-centime stamp similar in design to the 1-franc Algerian, but bearing the words "Ceptenaire, Algerie."

It was the unexpected preface to the Algerian set which came later in the year, a very beautiful set sold at double face value. On the same day Iceland issued one of the outstanding sets of the year as part of its millenary celebration of the "Athling." There were fifteen stamps designed by a Viennese artist, Herr L. Hossheimer, with scenes from the history of the Parliament, views of the country, a map of the island, and the national flag.

The thirty postage and air mail stamps which Spain issued in honour of the centenary of their great artist, Francisco Goya, was the sensation of the year, for on the three-peseta values there was an exceedingly good reproduction of his famous painting of "La Maja." This extremely beautiful nude caused surprise in England and consternation in America, where the dealers discussed the advisability of a protest to the Spanish postal authorities. But a realization of the uselessness of the move damped the ardour of the Puritans and the motion was allowed to lie on the table.

Scandal of the Year.

The little country of Latvia supplied the scandal of the year with a set of eight stamps in honour of their architect, Rainis. As the set was issued perforate and unperforate, it meant the purchase of sixteen stamps, each of double face value. They copied this method of bleeding philatelists from their Bolshevik neighbours, worse was to come. In order to raise their status from printed labels to postage stamps a few sets were sold to members of an angry crowd who assembled outside the post office at Riga, and the whole of the rest were sold en bloc to a German dealer who offered the two shillings' worth of stamps for fifteen or sixteen shillings! Neither of the two great English dealers would have anything to do with them, and it is sincerely to be hoped that their firm attitude will have its due effect. Fortunately, the people of Latvia were equally indignant, and the authorities there will hardly venture to do the same thing again.

Turning to pleasant sets, we have the two exhibition stamps from Belgium, the Antwerp stamp with its portrait of Rubens, and the one for Liege bearing the portrait of Zeno Gramme, followed in July by the three finely reproduced stamps to commemorate the centenary of Belgian independence. Italy, too, has issued some stamps as fine in design as in execution. There was the Royal Marriage set of three values, the Ferrucci commemoratives and now the long set in honour of the 2000th anniversary of Virgil's birth.

History has of course received due record. The evacuation of the Rhine was very modestly noted by Germany. They added the overprint, "30 Juni 1930" to their 8 and 15 pf. stamps, and let it go at that. The Graf Zeppelin seems to have flown stamps from Finland to the United States. The change of Kings in Roumania was noted by a set of three stamps, and a new set, very finely printed and bearing the new King's portrait, which is in process of issue. The Bulgarian royal wedding has produced a new short set of three stamps.

(Continued on next column.)

BABY BORN DURING A FIRE.

DOCTOR AND NURSE STAY WITH MOTHER.

Forty or fifty families left their homes in Ormond-yard, Queen-square, Devonshire-street, Bloomsbury, W.C., when there was an alarm of fire, but one little family remained. And in that little family, at the height of the alarm, a baby was born.

The families lived in tenements adjoining premises known as the Ormond Laboratories. It was in this building that the fire broke out.

News Kept from Mother.

Mr. C. Cokley, who lives in the tenements, said to a reporter:—"My son woke up and found smoke in his bedroom. He called out that there was a fire, and almost everybody left the building. In one room only were there six people left. That was the bedroom where my married daughter was being attended by a doctor and nurse."

"My wife stayed with the doctor and the nurse, and they kept the news of the fire from my daughter."

"The firemen at first feared that there were people sleeping in the upper part of the building. They were unable to bring their escape through the narrow turning, but they ran ladders up to the windows. There were no people there."

"When I returned home after the fire I learned that I had another bonny grandson."

"Burglars."

Mrs. Cokley said:—"Mother and baby are both doing well. When the alarm was given by a policeman, who banged his truncheon on the stairs and called out 'Fire,' we did all we could to keep the news from my daughter. She heard the other people leaving, however, and knew that something was amiss. We told her that there had been burglars."

Woman Dies from Burns.

Mrs. Alice Maud Clements, aged 48, of Green-lane, Ilford (Essex) died in Oldchurch Hospital, Romford, from shock following burns received when she stumbled on to the fire while cooking.

set and the Abyssinian coronation a longer one, whilst Denmark made a present of ten stamps to King Christian in honour of his sixteenth birthday, the proceeds of which he is devoting to charities. Christmas, as usual, has seen a spate of charitable issues from practically all over the world, as precedent set by Switzerland in 1918, and, with the exception of 1914, continued ever since with increasing popularity.

British Empire Stamps.

The stamps of the British Empire have seen but few new issues in spite of the excellent send-off by the Bahamas on January 2, when the tercentenary was commemorated by an issue of five beautifully engraved stamps bearing a reproduction of the seal of the island and the three dates, "1620, 1720, 1920." Australia added another Englishman's portrait to the few found on the world's postage stamps. It was that of the great explorer, Captain Charles Sturt, who discovered so much of the interior of the great island continent, and early in the new year they added Kingsford Smith's portrait. The Irish Free State had a 2d. stamp to advertise the completion of the Shannon barrage. The intention was good, but the design was poor and the printing very flat and uninteresting.

Yemen is the only new country that has made its appearance in collectors' albums this year. It made a very modest start with half-a-dozen stamps of a total face value of about three shillings, and a fine used set should prove a useful addition to any collection.

Royal Collectors.

During the year His Majesty strengthened his wonderful collection by buying an Australian collection, very highly specialized, for something over £2,000, and King Fuad of Egypt, another keen royal collector, purchased an Egyptian collection which would materially strengthen his own, excellent as it is.

Taking the year as a whole one may say that it has been well up to the average. Money has been too tight for many auction records to be made, but outstanding rarities in fine condition show a continuous upward trend.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived yesterday by a.s. President McKinley:—Mrs. Oliver Caldwell, Mr. L. Cohen, Mr. Chan Wing, Capt. D. R. M. Cameron, Mr. V. I. Cayton, Mr. Chu Kai Yuen Sung, Miss Lottie Dingeman, Mr. C. E. Encarnano, Mr. C. G. Evans, Mr. B. Forknell, Mr. Emil Gensberger, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gild, Mr. M. K. Hung, Mr. S. A. Judah, Mr. David Judah, Mr. K. B. Shen, Major General J. W. Seadlands, Mr. E. S. Somerville, Mr. D. E. Woo.

SCHNEIDER TROPHY RACE.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT AUTHORISE DEFENCE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 29.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, himself a keen airman, announced in the House of Commons, to-day, at question-time, that, although the Government is strongly averse to perpetuating contests between rival Government teams, it is so interested in the Schneider Trophy that it is prepared to authorise its defence by the Royal Air Force and to grant provisional assistance as in 1929 provided a definite undertaking is given immediately that the necessary funds will be available from private sources so as to carry out the race in the proper way.

The Prime Minister said that the deputations of the members of Parliament had assured him that the money required would be raised privately so that no expense would fall upon the public funds.

He regretted the delay that had occurred and recognised that it must be to the disadvantage of the British entry. The Government's decision had, however, been reached after careful consideration. In the special circumstances—the trophy will be Britain's permanent property if won again—they were prepared to assist.

WHOLESALE HANGINGS IN TURKEY.

SEVENTY-EIGHT SMYRNA REBELS CONDEMNED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 29.

Out of the first group of those accused in connexion with the riots and the revolutionary plot in the Smyrna region, 78 have been sentenced to death by hanging. Sentences upon the others vary from three years to 24 years hard labour.

All sentences must, however, be ratified by the Ankara Chamber.

ONE REPRIEVED AND ONE TO DIE.

32,000 SIGN A PETITION.

One of the young men sentenced to death at Birmingham Assizes for the murder of a man who was taking £900 to a bank has been reprieved. He is Herbert Charles Ridley, aged 21.

The other, Victor Edward Betts, who is also 21, was executed. The reprieve of the one and the refusal to reprieve the other followed the presentation of a petition organised in Birmingham and signed by over 32,000 people.

A further effort, it is understood, was made to save the second man and a meeting with that object was held in Birmingham. About 5,000 signatures were obtained to a further petition, and the intention was to try to present it direct to the King.

Official intimation was received in Birmingham that Ridley's sentence was to be commuted to penal servitude for life, but that in the case of Betts the Home Secretary had failed to discover any grounds which would justify him in advising His Majesty to interfere with the due course of the law.

Ridley's parents and his wife, after the news had been received, attended a watchnight service, but Mrs. Ridley, senior, collapsed during it and had to be carried out of the church.

The Street Attack.

The two men were found guilty at Birmingham Assizes, on December 5, of murdering William Thomas Andrews, an elderly man employed as a drapery firm messenger, on July 24. At a street corner in Aston, Betts attacked him and snatched a bag containing £200. Andrews fell and his skull, which was abnormally thin, was broken.

The men entered a car driven by Ridley, who knew of the intention to steal the bag, and after visiting Portsmouth, London and Leeds, they were arrested at Brighton.

The death sentence was appealed against and was heard by three judges on December 19. In dismissing it, Mr. Justice Avey said the two men knew that Andrews was in the habit of taking money to the bank and agreed to waylay him.

Ridley remained in the car while Betts seized Andrews by the neck and struck him a violent blow on top of the head, either with his bare fists or with his first clenched with something in it. Andrews never recovered consciousness. Betts, with the bag, made his way to the car, which was waiting with (Continued at foot of next column.)

CONSERVATIVE PARTY SENSATION.

MR. CHURCHILL'S GRACEFUL RETIREMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, Jan. 29.

Mr. Churchill wrote a letter to Mr. Baldwin on January 27, in which he said:—

"Now that our divergence of views on Indian policy has become public, I feel I should no longer attend the meetings of the 'Business Committee.'"

Mr. Churchill adds that he will give Mr. Baldwin the utmost assistance to secure the defeat of the Socialist Government.

Mr. Baldwin Agrees.

Mr. Baldwin replied yesterday that much as he regrets the decision of Mr. Churchill not to attend the meetings of his old colleagues, he (Mr. Baldwin) is convinced that the decision is correct in the circumstances.

He agrees with Mr. Churchill that there is nothing in a difference of opinion on a single policy to prevent close and loyal co-operation in doing their utmost to turn out the present Government.

Suspicion Confirmed.

Mr. Winston Churchill's withdrawal from the Conservative Business Committee confirms a suspicion long entertained in political quarters that he was to be excluded from Mr. Baldwin's next Cabinet.

It is freely suggested that Mr. Churchill was well aware of the movement against him, and in view of his antagonism to Mr. Baldwin's Indian policy, he has seized the opportunity gracefully to retire from the sphere of government.

Mr. Churchill May Accept Commercial Appointment.

It is strongly rumoured that Mr. Churchill will shortly accept a commercial appointment.

HUSBAND ON CHARGE OF BLACKMAIL.

MILKMAN APPEARS AS PROSECUTOR.

A milkman whose name was withheld, being referred to as Mr. Z, gave remarkable evidence at Bristol when appearing to prosecute Frederick Watts, of Ervine Terrace, St. Paul's, who was sent for trial on charges of demanding money with menaces, and with attempting to steal £20 in Treasury notes.

The prosecutor said he had for about two years called at Watts' shop with milk, and he admitted kissing Watts' wife.

Later Watts made certain allegations and said, "I want £5 for that," and threatened to tell Mr. Z's employer if he did not pay.

Mr. Z agreed to pay 10s. a week. Watts afterwards demanded £20. Prosecutor undertook to pay in instalments, and said he had paid £10 so. When Watts asked for another £10, Mr. Z promised £20, and went to a solicitor and the police.

It was stated that two police officers secreted themselves in prosecutor's house and overheard a conversation between Mr. Z and Watts.

the door open. It was admitted the men divided the money.

Ridley's Defence.

Ridley urged that while he agreed Andrews should be robbed, he thought the man would be pushed and his bag snatched. He never agreed to violence. In cross-examination, however, he admitted that Betts was to get the bag how he could.

Mr. Justice Avey said that while it might be true that they had not agreed beforehand that Andrews should be struck on the head so as to cause his death, the law was clear that if Ridley was a party to the common design, and Betts did some act causing death, Ridley was equally liable.

Mr. Justice Avey added, as was said by Lord Darling in a similar case, that there might be a distinction to be drawn by those who had the duty, which the court had not, of considering the sentence.

A Protest.

Mr. E. Roy Calvert, secretary of the National Council for the Abolition of the Death Penalty, said: "It will come as a shock to thousands of people that Mr. Clynes intends to start the New Year by consenting to the hanging of a boy of 21."

"He is thus acting in defiance of the expressed disapproval of capital punishment, in defiance of the report of a Select Committee of the House of Commons, and in spite of the fact that the youth is only a few months above the age limit which even upholders of the penalty think should be imposed in the administration of capital punishment."

ADVERTISED SAILINGS FROM HONG KONG.

LEXANDRIA.

Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Feb. 3.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Feb. 22.

MOY.

Anking, B. & S., Feb. 1.
Haining, Douglas, Feb. 3.
Tainan, B. & S., Feb. 4.
Tjisondari, J.C.J.L., Feb. 5.
Namsang, Jardine's, Feb. 6.
Antung, B. & S., Feb. 8.
Takada, B.I., Feb. 8.
Taiyuan, B. & S., Feb. 11.
Tjisondari, J.C.J.L., Feb. 13.
Suisang, Jardine's, Feb. 18.
Tilawa, B.I., Feb. 23.
Santhia, B.I., March 10.

ANTWERP.

Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
Celtic Star, Dodwell's, Feb. 14.
Kashgar, P. & O., Feb. 14.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Afrika, Manners, Feb. 20.
Ramses, Jøsen, Feb. 23.

AUSTRALIAN PORTS.

Nellore, E. & A., Jan. 31.
Change, B. & S., Feb. 10.
Kibana Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 10.
Tanda, E. & A., Feb. 23.

BALTIC PORTS.

Afrika, Manners, Feb. 20.

BALTIMORE.

Foylsbank, Bank, Feb. 4.
Helenu, B.F., Feb. 4.
Lassibank, Bank, Feb. 11.

BANGKOK.

Kingsan, B. & S., Feb. 2.
Kaying, B. & S., Feb. 8.

BARCELONA.

Dorflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.

BELAWAN-DELI.

Van Heutz, J.C.J.L., Feb. 9.

BOMBAY.

Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 31.
Comorin, P. & O., Jan. 31.
Kiddemore, P. & O., Feb. 6.
Carignano, Dodwell's, Feb. 8.
Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 10.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Alipore, P. & O., March 3.

BOSTON.

Atago Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 4.
Foylsbank, Bank, Feb. 4.
Helenu, B.F., Feb. 4.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Feb. 8.
Lassibank, Bank, Feb. 11.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Cingalese Prince, Furness, Feb. 23.
Takotoyo Maru, N.Y.K., March 1.

BREMEN.

Dorflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Havel, Melchers, March 3.

BRINDISI.

Carignano, Dodwell's, Feb. 8.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.

CALCUTTA.

Kutsang, Jardine's, Feb. 2.
Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 7.
Taima, B.I., Feb. 7.
Yuehsang, Jardine's, Feb. 14.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 15.
Takada, B.I., Feb. 27.

CASABLANCA.

Philoctetes, B.F., Feb. 3.
Kashgar, P. & O., Feb. 14.
Menelaus, B.F., March 3.

CEBU.

Helenu, B.F., Feb. 4.

CHEFOO.

Kueichow, B. & S., Feb. 3.

COLOMBO.

Comorin, P. & O., Jan. 31.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 31.
Andre Lebon, M.M., Feb. 3.
Kiddemore, P. & O., Feb. 6.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
Carignano, Dodwell's, Feb. 8.
Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 10.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Feb. 12.
Kashgar, P. & O., Feb. 14.
Delagoa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 15.
Patroclus, B.F., Feb. 16.
Portheos, M.M., Feb. 17.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Malwa, P. & O., Feb. 23.
Alipore, P. & O., March 3.
Chenoncaux, M.M., March 3.
Khiva, P. & O., March 7.

COPENHAGEN.

Afrika, Manners, Feb. 20.

DALNY.

Chinhua, B. & S., Feb. 4.
Antenor, B.F., Feb. 9.
Liangchow, B. & S., Feb. 9.
Hector, B.F., March 7.

DOUO PORTS.

Philoctetes, B.F., Feb. 3.
Dorflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
Saurerland, Jøsen, Feb. 7.
City of Lillo, Bank, Feb. 9.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Feb. 12.

GENOA.

Dorflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Saurerland, Jøsen, Feb. 7.
Carignano, Dodwell's, Feb. 8.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Feb. 8.
Delagoa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 10.
Pelous, B.F., Feb. 20.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Ramses, Jøsen, Feb. 23.
Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 28.

GLASGOW.

Laomedon, B.F., Jan. 31.
Patroclus, B.F., Feb. 16.
Pelous, B.F., Feb. 20.

GOTTENBURG.

Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 28.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Anking, B. & S., Feb. 1.
Kingsan, B. & S., Feb. 12.

HAMBURG.

Philoctetes, B.F., Feb. 3.
Dorflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
Saurerland, Jøsen, Feb. 7.
City of Lillo, Bank, Feb. 9.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Feb. 12.
Celtic Star, Dodwell's, Feb. 14.
Afrika, Manners, Feb. 20.
Ramses, Jøsen, Feb. 23.
Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 28.
Havel, Melchers, March 3.
Menelaus, B.F., March 3.

FOOCHOW.

Haining, Douglas, Feb. 3.
Chinhua, B. & S., Feb. 4.
Chipping, Jardine's, Feb. 8.
Cheongshing, Jardine's, Feb. 10.

GENOA.

Dorflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Saurerland, Jøsen, Feb. 7.
Carignano, Dodwell's, Feb. 8.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Feb. 8.
Delagoa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 10.
Pelous, B.F., Feb. 20.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 22.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Ramses, Jøsen, Feb. 23.
Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 28.

GLASGOW.

Laomedon, B.F., Jan. 31.
Patroclus, B.F., Feb. 16.
Pelous, B.F., Feb. 20.

GOTTENBURG.

Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 28.

HAIPHONG AND HOIHOW.

Anking, B. & S., Feb. 1.
Kingsan, B. & S., Feb. 12.

HAMBURG.

Philoctetes, B.F., Feb. 3.
Dorflinger, Melchers, Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
Saurerland, Jøsen, Feb. 7.
City of Lillo, Bank, Feb. 9.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Feb. 12.
Celtic Star, Dodwell's, Feb. 14.
Afrika, Manners, Feb. 20.
Ramses, Jøsen, Feb. 23.
Shantung, Gilman's, Feb. 28.
Havel, Melchers, March 3.
Menelaus, B.F., March 3.

HAVEE.

Laomedon, B.F., Jan. 31.
City of Wellington, Bank, Feb. 13.
Pelous, B.F., Feb. 20.
Afrika, Manners, Feb. 20.

HONOLULU.

Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 1.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 4.
Emp. of Australia, C.P.S., Feb. 17.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 19.

ILOILO.

Helenu, B.F., Feb. 4.

JAPAN PORTS.

Malwa, P. & O., Jan. 31.
Tyndarus, B.F., Jan. 31.
Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 1.
Nippon, Gilman's, Feb. 2.
Alipore, P. & O., Feb. 3.
Chenoncaux, M.M., Feb. 3.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 4.
Atago Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 4.
Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., Feb. 5.
Machon, B.F., Feb. 9.
Namsang, Jardine's, Feb. 10.
Tanda, E. & A., Feb. 10.
Suwa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 11.
Venezia-L., Dodwell's, Feb. 11.
Leverkusen, Jøsen, Feb. 8.
Takada, B.I., Feb. 8.
Cracovia, Dodwell's, Feb. 10.
Hikawa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 12.
Khyber, P. & O., Feb. 14.
Autolycus, B.F., Feb. 16.
Athos II, M.M., Feb. 17.
Emp. of Australia, C.P.S., Feb. 17.
Saurerland, Jøsen, Feb. 17.
Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., Feb. 18.
Suisang, Jardine's, Feb. 18.
Atsuta Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 19.
Eumaeus, B.F., Feb. 19.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 19.
Alter, Melchers, Feb. 21.
Pushimi Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Protesilaus, B.F., Feb. 21.
Somali, P. & O., Feb. 21.
Tilawa, B.I., Feb. 23.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 26.
Glenob, Jardine's, Feb. 27.
Rawalpindi, P. & O., Feb. 28.
Kulmerland, Jøsen, March 1.
D'Artagnan, M.M., March 3.
Persus, B.F., March 3.
St. Albans, E. & A., March 6.
Dolius, B.F., March 7.
Khiva, P. & O., March 7.

PAKHOL.

Kingsan, B. & S., Feb. 12.

PANAMA.

Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 1.
Atago Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 4.
Emp. of Australia, C.P.S., Feb. 17.
Takotoyo Maru, N.Y.K., March 1.

PENANG.

Comorin, P. & O., Jan. 31.
Yamagata Maru, N.Y.K., Jan. 31.
Anking, B. & S., Feb. 1.
Kutsang, Jardine's, Feb. 2.
Philoctetes, B.F., Feb. 3.
Helenu, B.F., Feb. 4.
Kiddemore, P. & O., Feb. 6.
Kashima Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 7.
Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 7.
Perim, P. & O., Feb. 7.
Taima, B.I., Feb. 7.
Pres. Fillmore, Dollar, Feb. 8.
Van Heutz, J.C.J.L., Feb. 9.
Iyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 10.
Glenapp, Jardine's, Feb. 12.
Celtic Star, Dodwell's, Feb. 14.
Kashgar, P. & O., Feb. 14.
Yuehsang, Jardine's, Feb. 14.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 15.
Patroclus, B.F., Feb. 16.
Yasukuni Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 21.
Pres. Monroe, Dollar, Feb. 22.
Takada, B.I., Feb. 27.
Malwa, P. & O., Feb. 28.
Alipore, P. & O., March 3.
Khiva, P. & O., March 7.

RABAU.

Nellore, E. & A., Jan. 31.
Tanda, E. & A., Feb. 23.

RANGOON.

Bromerhaven, Melchers, Feb. 2/3.
Nagato Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 7.
Bengal Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 15.

SAIGON.

Andre Lebon, M.M., Feb. 3.
Portheos, M.M., Feb. 17.
Chenoncaux, M.M., March 3.

SANDAKAN.

Yusang, Jardine's, Feb. 3.
Mausang, Jardine's, Feb. 13.

SAN FRANCISCO.

Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 1.
Asama Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 4.
Atago Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 4.
Pres. McKinley, A.M.L., Feb. 10.
Emp. of Australia, C.P.S., Feb. 17.
Taiyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 19.
Pres. Grant, A.M.L., Feb. 24.

SCANDINAVIAN PORTS.

Afrika, Manners, Feb. 20.
Shantung, Jardine's, Feb. 28.

SEATTLE.

Tyndarus, B.F., Jan. 31.
Pres. Taft, Dollar, Feb. 3.
Hikawa Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 12.
Pres. Jefferson, A.M.L., Feb. 17.
Protesilaus, B.F., Feb. 21.
Heian Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 26.

LOS ANGELES.

Ginyo Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 1.
Asama Maru, N.Y

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION Co.'s
STEAMER "MALWA."

ARRIVED HONG KONG ON
30th JANUARY, 1931.
FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, GIBRALTAR,
MARSEILLES, MALTA,
PORT SAID, ADEN, COLOMBO
AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named Vessel are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed and
placed at their risk in the Hong Kong
and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where
each Consignment will be sorted out
Mark by Mark and Delivery can be
obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here
unless Instructions have been given to
the contrary six hours before arrival of
the Steamer.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, in-
cluding date of arrival, will be subject to
Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by
us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signees, and the Company's Surveyors,
Messrs. GODDARD & DOUGLAS, at 10 a.m.
on Mondays and Thursdays, within the
Free Storage period.

All Claims against the Steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before 15th February, 1931, or they will
not be recognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godown.

MAKINSON, MACKENZIE & Co.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 30th Jan., 1931. [262]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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AND
CHINA MUTUAL STEAM
NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

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"EURLIOHUS"
FROM UNIVERSAL KINGDOM AND
CONTINENTAL PORTS VIA
SINGAPORE

are hereby notified that their Cargo will
be discharged into Holt's Wharf, Kow-
loon, where it will be at Consignees' risk
and subject to Terms and Conditions
of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The
Cargo will be ready for Delivery from
Godown on and after 15th January.
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here, unless Notice has been given prior
to Vessel's arrival, but carried on from
port to port to the final port of call to
which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where
they will be examined on any Tuesdays
and Fridays between the hours of
10.45 a.m. and Noon within the Free
Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after
the 5th February will be subject to
Rent.

All Claims against the Vessel must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 15th February, 1931, or they
will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

30th January, 1931. [259]

PRINCE LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM NEW YORK.

THE Motor Vessel
"MALAYAN PRINCE"
having arrived from the above Port on
30th January, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed at their risk into the
Godowns of the Hong Kong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Company, Limited,
Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where
they will be examined on Thursday,
5th February, 1931, at 10 a.m.

All Claims must be presented within
15 Days of the Vessel's arrival here,
after which date they cannot be re-
cognized.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
5th February, 1931, will be subject to
Rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned
by

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2nd Floor, King's Building,
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Hong Kong, 30th Jan., 1931. [260]

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Motor Vessel
"RAMSES"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby notified that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in
the Hong Kong & Kowloon Wharf &
Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon,
where Delivery can be obtained as the
Goods are landed.

Optional Cargo will be landed, unless
Notice has been given prior to Vessel's
arrival.

No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
5th February, 1931, will be subject to
Rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on 4th February, 1931,
at 10 a.m., by our Surveyors, Messrs.
GODDARD & DOUGLAS.

No Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned
by the Underwriter.

JEBSEN & CO.,
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Hong Kong, 29th Jan., 1931. [257]

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SAILINGS TO EUROPE.

VESSEL.	DESTINATION.	LEAVING HONG KONG.
M.V. "SAUERLAND" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	7 Feb.
M.V. "LEVERKUSEN" (1)	Genoa, Barcelona, Rotterdam	7 Mar.
S.S. "SAARLAND" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	16 Mar.
M.S. "KULMERLAND" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	23 Mar.

Other Ports of Call if Inducement offers.

ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE.

VESSEL.	DESTINATION.	LEAVING HONG KONG.
M.V. "LEVERKUSEN" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	8 Feb.
M.V. "SAARLAND" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	17 Feb.
M.V. "KULMERLAND" (1)	Genoa, Rotterdam & Hamburg	1 Mar.

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landed at their risk into the Godowns
and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the
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the wharves Delivery may be obtained.

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Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the
31st January, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must
be presented to the Underwriter on or
before the 14th February, 1931, or they
will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where
they will be examined on the 30th
instant, at 10 a.m., by Messrs. GODDARD
& DOUGLAS.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned
by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Ltd.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 24th Jan., 1931. [258]

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
BREMEN.

THE Motor Ship
"H. A. V. E. L."

having arrived from BREMEN, HAM-
BURG and PORT, Consignees of Cargo
are hereby notified that their Cargo is
being landed at their risk into the Go-
downs of the Hong Kong and Kowloon
Wharf and Godown Co. Ltd., Kowloon,
where Delivery can be obtained.

Consignees are further notified that
the Steamer "H. A. V. E. L." has taken at
HAMBURG and BREMEN Through
Cargo for HONG KONG ex S.S.
"WERRA," S.S. "GERHARD," S.S.
"ALBERT," S.S. "ELECTRA," S.S.
"AMSEL" and S.S. "STAR" from
OSNABURG, WIBERG and KOTKA.

All Goods remaining undelivered after
the 3rd February, 1931, will be subject
to Rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by
us in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godown for examination by the Con-
signees and the Company's Surveyors,
Messrs. Anderson & Aho, at 10 a.m.,
on the 2nd February, 1931.

No Claim will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godown, and all
Claims must be presented within Two
Weeks of the Ship's arrival here, after
which date they will not be recognized.

Consignees are requested to surrender
their Bills of Lading to the Underwriter
for Countersignature.

MELOHRS & CO.,
Agents.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, BREMEN.
Hong Kong, 27th Jan., 1931. [246]

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EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

January 30, 1931.

ON LONDON:—

Telegraphic Transfer... 112

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Bank Bills, 4 months' sight... 112

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DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30.

Buyers Sellers Sales Nominal

Bankers

H.K. Banks... \$2,030

Do. (London)... \$2,030

Chartered Banks... \$2,030

Mercantile Bks. "A"... \$2,030

Do. "C"... \$2,030

Bank of East Asia... \$2,030

Insurance

Canton Insurance... \$1,300

Underwriters... \$1,300

North China... \$1,300

Union Insurance... \$1,300

Yangtze Insurance... \$1,300

China Fire... \$1,300

H.K. Fire... \$1,300

Shipping

Douglas... \$28

Steamboats... \$28

Indos (prof.)... \$28

Do. (def.)... \$28

Shell Transport... \$28

Water-boat, cum. r... \$28

Mining

Bonanza... \$10

Kailash... \$10

Langkate (comb)... \$10

Do. (single)... \$10

Explorations... \$10

Shanghai Loans... \$10

Rails... \$10

Tronoh Mines... \$10

Docks, Wharves,

Godowns, etc.

H.K. & K. Wharves... \$171

Providents (old)... \$171

Do. (new)... \$171

H.K. Docks... \$171

South China Motors... \$171

Shanghai Docks... \$171

New Engineering... \$171

Hongkong... \$171

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AMOI, SWATOW, HOIHOW & S'PORE...	"ANKING"	On 1st Feb.	6 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN...	"SHANTUNG"	On 2nd Feb.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KIANGSU"	On 2nd Feb.	11 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"HANYANG"	On 3rd Feb.	5 p.m.
SHANGHAI	"KANOHOW"	On 3rd Feb.	8 a.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN...	"SUIYANG"	On 3rd Feb.	8 a.m.
SWATOW, WHEIHOW, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"KOEIHOW"	On 3rd Feb.	8 a.m.
FOOCHOW, SHANGHAI & DALNY	"CHINHUA"	On 4th Feb.	5 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TSINAN"	On 4th Feb.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN...	"SZECHUEN"	On 8th Feb.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAYING"	On 8th Feb.	11 a.m.
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANTUNG"	On 8th Feb.	5 p.m.
SHANGHAI & DALNY	"LIANGHOU"	On 9th Feb.	5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN...	"SINKIANG"	On 10th Feb.	8 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TAIYUAN"	On 11th Feb.	5 p.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KINGYUAN"	On 12th Feb.	Noon

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TAIPING	18th May	18th May	22nd May	7th June

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M.S. "Africa"	26th Feb.	28th Feb.
M.S. "Malaya"	26th Mar.	28th March
M.S. "Danmark"	28th April	27th April
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ROYAL OBSERVATORY'S DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

STATION	Height feet	JANUARY 28, 1931.					JANUARY 29, 1931				
		Barometer at Sea Level		Thermometer		Wind	Barometer at Sea Level		Thermometer		Wind
		Inches	Millis.	Fahrenheit	Celsius	Direction (Force)	Inches	Millis.	Fahrenheit	Celsius	Direction (Force)
Wladivostok...	12	29.90	769.5	...	...	SE 1	29.98	761.5	...	...	NE 1
Nemuro...	11	29.90	767.0	...	...	N 1	29.96	761.0	...	...	NW 1
Hakodate...	...	29.14	765.5	...	...	N 1	30.04	763.0	...	...	...
Tokio...	...	30.24	768.0	...	...	SE 3	30.08	764.0	...	...	...
Kochi...	...	30.24	768.0	...	...	SE 3	30.08	764.0	...	...	...
Nagasaki...	...	30.32	767.5	...	...	SE 3	30.08	763.5	...	...	...
Kagoshima...	...	30.18	766.5	...	...	SE 1	30.08	762.5	...	...	...
Oshima...	...	30.18	766.5	...	...	SE 1	30.04	763.0	...	...	...
Naha...	...	30.18	766.5	...	...	E 1	30.08	763.5	...	...	...
Ishigakijima...	...	30.12	765.0	...	...	N 1	30.14	765.5	...	...	...
Bonin Island...	...	29.97	761.2	...	...	SW 1	30.08	762.7	...	...	SW 2
Chefoo...	15	30.18	766.5	...	...	SW 4	30.19	766.7	...	...	WSW 2
Shanghai...	14	30.26	768.6	...	...	WNW 2	30.46	778.7	...	...	NW 2
Gutzlaff...	...	30.16	766.1	...	...	NNW 2	30.19	766.7	...	...	NNE 2
Wenchow...	...	30.02	762.5	...	...	N 2	30.09	764.3	...	...	E 2
Foochow...	...	30.05	763.2	...	...	SSE 4	30.01	762.2	...	...	E 4
Amoy...	...	30.06	763.5	...	...	N 3	29.89	761.7	...	...	NE 1
Swatow...	...	30.13	765.2	...	...	E 2	30.08	763.9	...	...	...
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Taihu...	...	30.13	765.4	...	...	S 2	30.01	762.3	...	...	ENE 2
Tainan...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30.03	763.8	...	...	NE 2
Koshun...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30.03	763.8	...	...	NE 2
Pescadore...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30.00	762.0	...	...	ENE 4
Hong Kong...	14	30.08	762.7	...	...	ENE 4	29.99	761.7	...	...	ENE 4
Gap Rock...	...	30.04	768.0	...	...	ENE 5	30.04	769.2	...	...	NE 1
Macao...	...	29.97	761.2	...	...	NNW 2	29.97	761.2	...	...	NE 1
Hoibow...	...	29.97	761.3	...	...	E 4	29.97	761.3	...	...	SSE 1
Pratas Island...	...	30.00	769.0	...	...	NW 4	29.99	761.6	...	...	SW 1
Phulien...	...	29.98	760.2	...	...	ENE 6	29.91	759.6	...	...	ENE 6
Tourane...	...	29.98	761.4	...	...	SE 4	29.95	760.9	...	...	ESE 2
Cape St. James...	...	29.95	760.7	...	...	ENE 4	29.95	760.7	...	...	...
Raso...	14	29.95	760.7	...	...	ENE 4	29.95	760.7	...	...	...
Apurri...	...	29.85	758.3	...	...	S 2	29.92	760.0	...	...	...
Tuguegarao...	...	29.86	758.5	...	...	W 2	29.93	760.1	...	...	...
Vigan...	...	29.86	758.5	...	...	SW 2	29.93	760.1	...	...	...
Manila...	...	29.85	758.2	...	...	SSE 4	29.93	760.2	...	...	...
Legaspi...	...	29.85	758.2	...	...	S 2	29.93	760.3	...	...	...
Calbayog...	...	29.85	758.2	...	...	NE 4	29.92	760.0	...	...	...
Tacolban...	...	29.84	758.0	...	...	NE 4	29.89	759.3	...	...	...
Holte...	...	29.85	758.2	...	...	NE 4	29.89	759.3	...	...	...
Cebu...	...	29.85	758.2	...	...	NE 4	29.84	760.5	...	...	...
Surigao...	...	11.00	...	...	...	...	29.88	758.8	...	...	...
Calapan...	12.32	29.89	757.4	...	...	NE 6	29.87	758.7	...	...	...
Guam...	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	29.87	758.7	...	...	...
Yap...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.88	757.7	...	...	...
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Labuan...	14	29.81	757.3	...	...	N 3	...	...	...	...	...

January 29, 10A. 27m.—The anticyclone has weakened further and is now central to the north of the Bonins. Another may be forming over China.
Moderate monsoon along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.
Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1, 0.32 inch, against an average of 1.28 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON JANUARY 30.

- 1.—Formosa Channel ... N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy at first, improving later.
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamooks
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan

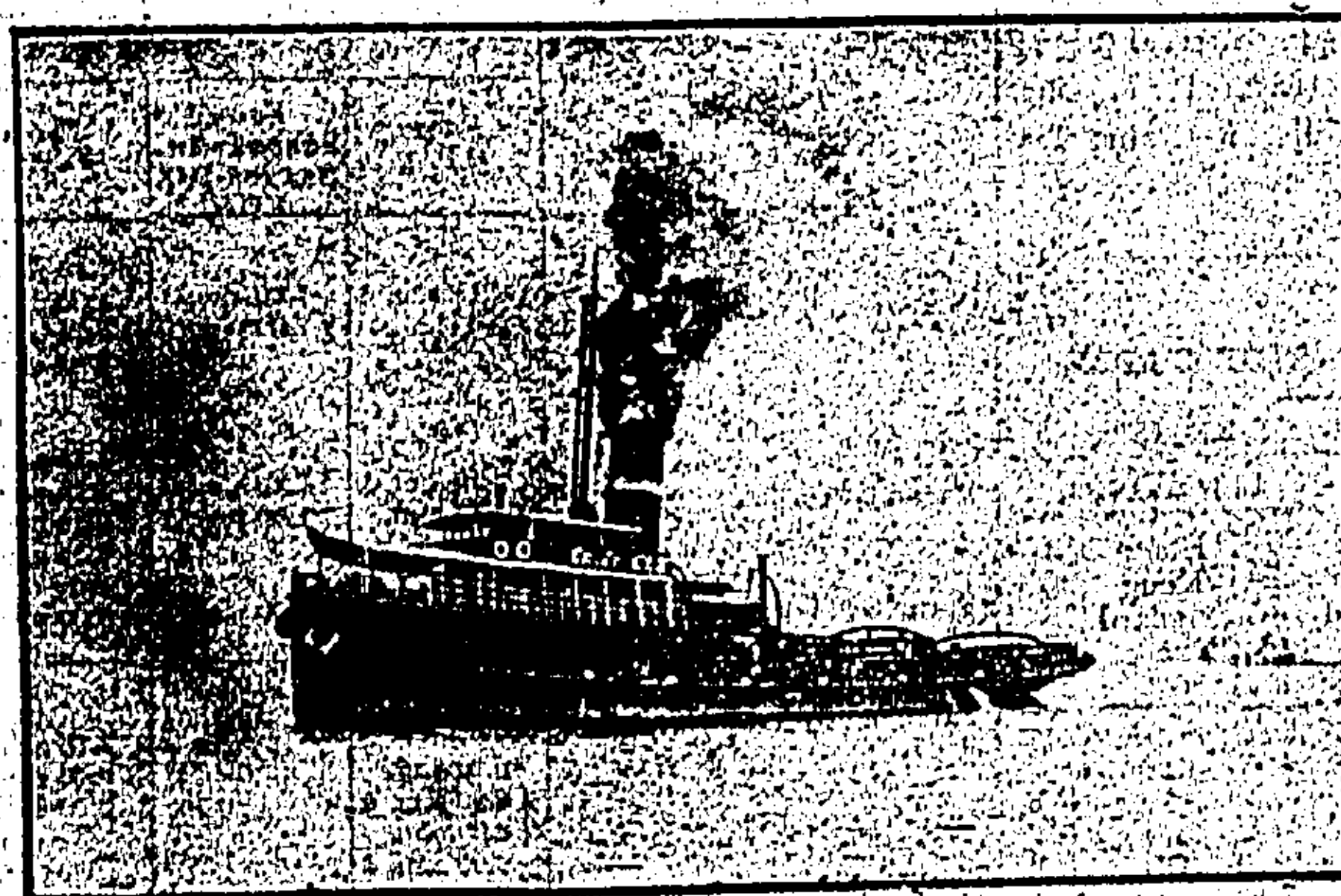
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SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	"KUTSANG" "TUENSANG" "KUMSANG"	Mon., 2nd Feb., at 3 p.m. Sat., 14th Feb., at 3 p.m. Tues., 3rd Mar., at 3 p.m.
OSAKA via AMOI AND KOBE	"NAMSANG"	Fri., 6th Feb., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI, S'HAU, MOJI & KOBE	"SUISANG"	Wed., 18th Feb., at 7 a.m.
OSAKA via AMOI AND KOBE	"HOSANG"	Tues., 3rd Mar., at 7 a.m.
SANDAKAN	"YUSANG" "MAUSANG"	Tues., 3rd Feb., at Noon Fri., 13th Feb., at Noon
TIENTSIN via SWATOW & FOOCHOW	"CHEONGSHING"	Tues., 17th Feb., at 7 a.m.

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JAPAN (Freight steamers)
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Freight S.S. "Aller" ... due here 21st Feb.
Pass. S.S. "COLENZ" ... due here 11th Mar.
Freight S.S. "Franken" ... due here 21st Mar.

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KASHIMA MARU ... Saturday, 7th February

YASUKUNI MARU ... Saturday, 31st February

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Port.

KITANO MARU ... Thursday, 18th February

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.

YAMAGATA MARU ... Saturday, 31st January

IYO MARU ... Tuesday, 10th February

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu,

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GINYO MARU ... Sunday, 1st February

SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape

Town & Ports.

KAWACHI MARU ... Thursday, 28th February

NEW YORK, BOSTON via PANAMA.

ATAGO MARU ... Friday, 6th February

TAKETOYO MARU ... Sunday, 1st March

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Stamboul (Constantinople),

Genoa & Marseilles.

DELAGOA MARU ... Sunday, 16th February

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IMPORTS 18,000 TONS;
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9,200 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo, to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

Cargo for Through H.K. Ports.

British

Singapore 6,540 —

Anking, Amoy 102 —

Malwa, Singapore 900 1,000

Shantung, Swatow 790 1,350

Yingchow, Saigon 1,200 —

— 9,022 — 2,350

Dutch

Tjimanock, Manila 5,000 900

— 5,000 — 900

Portuguese

Wing Wo, K. C. Wan 220 220 —

Japanese

Toyo Maru, Coumbot — 3,150

Chojun Maru, Amoy — —

Yamagata Maru, Canton 490 2,122

Rangoon Maru, Sakito 1,480 3,838

— 1,989 — 5,901

Chinese

Wong Shek, Kung, Saigon 1,500 1,500 —

— 18,031 — 9,211

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:

Arr. Dep.

British 5 6

German 1 1

Dutch 1 1

Portuguese 1 0

Japanese 4 5

Chinese 1 1

— 13 14

ASIATIC DECK-PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Anking (British), Singapore, 38

Shantung (British), Teing-tao, Swatow 100

Tjimanock (Dutch), Batavia, 421

Manila 610

— 610

SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following vessels were in port yesterday:—

Buoys:—A2, Ginyo Maru; A3, Tyndarous; A6, Laomedon; A7, Tjimanock; A8, Malayan Prince; A9, Triumph; A10, Tjippana; A11, Nellore; A14, Seikai Maru; A19, Helorus; B1, Yatsushiro; B8, Anking; B9, Shantung; B14, Yingchow; B17, Shinsei Maru; B18, Borneo; B20, Newchwang; B21, Kiangsu; B22, Hiansang; B23, Rangoon Maru; C1, Wong Shek Kung; C2, Keianpo; C3, Bremerhaven; C6, Biantang; C6, Hirundo.

ARRIVALS.

January 29.

Ramses, German m.s., 7,087 tons, Capt. Biecke Jansen, from Bremen, Kowloon Pier.—Jensen & Co.

January 30.

Chojun Maru, Japanese str., 1,324 tons, Capt. Y. Maki from Amoy, Yaumati Anchorage.—D.K.K.

Comarin, British str., 15,000 tons, Capt. C. W. Cartwright, D.S.C., from Yokohama, Kobe and Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. & Co.

Eurylochus, British str., 3,000 tons, Capt. W. B. Reed, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Golden Wall, American str., 3,729 tons, Capt. E. J. Anderson, from San Francisco, Stonecutters Anchorage.—States S.S. Co.

Laomedon, British str., 4,200 tons, Capt. A. J. Watson, from Shanghai, buoy No. A6.—B. & S.

Lyceum, British str., 1,734 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Hoihow, buoy No. B24.—Kwong Nam & Co.

Malwa, British str., 5,979 tons, Capt. P. O. Britten, from London, Kowloon Wharf.—M. M. & Co.

Malayan Prince, British str., 3,656 tons, Capt. H. Uncles, from Shanghai, buoy No. A6.—Furness (Far-East), Ltd.

Pres. McKinley, American str., 8,400 tons, Capt. R. E. Carry, from Shanghai, Kowloon Wharf.—A.M.L.

Seattle, American str., 5,451 tons, Capt. H. Kleen, from Kobe, buoy No. A12.—States S.S. Co.

Somerville, Norwegian str., 2,523 tons, Capt. Kalkenoy, from Manila, buoy No. B16.—Thoresen & Co.

Shantung, British str., 1,568 tons, Capt. J. S. G. Brown, from Swatow, buoy No. B9.—B. & S.

Tonjo, Norwegian str., 1,040 tons, Capt. H. Rasmussen, from Chinwangtao, buoy No. B23.—Doddwell & Co.

Toyo Maru No. 1, Japanese str., 1,300 tons, Capt. G. Hayakawa, from Port Redon, Yaumati Anchorage.—D.K.K.

Wing Wo, Portuguese str., 405 tons, Capt. I. D. de Lemos, from K. C. Wan, Saikong Wharf.—Wo Hop & Co.

Wong Shek Kung, Chinese str., 1,044 tons, Capt. A. Lai-powet-sky, from Saigon, buoy No. C1.—Kung Chung & Co.

Yamagata Maru, Japanese str., 3,607 tons, Capt. C. Sakurai, from Karatsu, Kowloon Wharf.—Y. M. & Co.

Yingchow, British str., 1,916 tons, Capt. W. Mackenzie, from Saigon, buoy No. B14.—B. & S.

CLEARANCES.

January 30.

Athelregent, for Sourabaya, Borneo, for Saigon.

Chojun Maru, for Whampoa, Comarin, for London.

Glentworth, for Shanghai, Eurylochus, for Shanghai.

Golden Wall, for Saigon, Haiyang, for Swatow.

Kamo, for Hongay, Kiungchow, for Hoihow.

Kuramasan Maru, for Hongay, Laomedon, for Cebu.

Malayan Prince, for Manila, Malwa, for Shanghai.

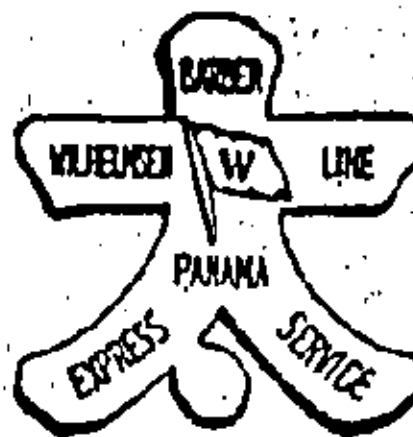
Nellore, for Manila, Ramses, for Shanghai.

Seikai Maru, for Singapore, Shantung, for Canton.

Toyo Maru No. 1, for Keelung, Triumph, for Shanghai.

Turbo, for Tarakan, Tyndarous, for Kobe.

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"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	5th Feb., 10 a.m.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
"PERIM"	7,048	7th Feb. (Mars.)	L'don, Hull, B'g, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	9,005	14th Feb.	Marseilles and London.
"MAIWA"	10,950	28th Feb.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
"ALPORA"	5,272	3rd Mar.	L'don, Hull, B'g, R'dm. & A'warp
"KHIVA"	9,135	7th Mar. (Mars.)	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KHYBER"	9,114	14th Mar.	Mars., L'don, Hull, B'g, R'dm. & A'warp
"SOMALI"	16,619	21st Mar. (Mars.)	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"RAWALPINDI"	15,132	28th Mar.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KARMALA"	15,132	11th Apr.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"RAJPUTANA"	15,132	18th Apr.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"SOUDAN"	15,132	25th Apr. (Mars.)	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KALYAN"	15,132	2nd May	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"COMORIN"	15,132	9th May	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	16th May	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	23rd May	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	30th May	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	6th June	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	13th June	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	20th June	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	27th June	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	4th July	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	11th July	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	18th July	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	25th July	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	1st Aug.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	8th Aug.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	15th Aug.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	22nd Aug.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	29th Aug.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	5th Sept.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	12th Sept.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
"KASHGAR"	15,132	19th Sept.	Mars., L'don, Hull, R'dm. & A'warp
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"TAKADA"	6,948	14th Feb.	do.
"TILAWA"	10,000	17th Mar.	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	1st Apr.	do.
"TAKADA"	6,948	18th Apr.	do.
"TILAWA"	10,000	2nd May	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	13th May	do.
"TALMA"	10,000	31st May	do.

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"TANDA"	6,955	29th Feb.	do.
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